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UNDER THE CHARGE

OF THE

PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND TOWN COUNCIL

OF ABERDEEN.



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THE principal source whence the following transcripts have been obtained is the Register of Mortifications kept in the Town-House: where any other authority is followed, mention has generally been made of it at the beginning of the Mortification; except, in some cases, where the transcripts have been made from the originals.

It is proper to mention, also, that, in stating the values of the different Mortifications, fractions, for the most part, have been intentionally omitted.

AT ABERDEEN, the third day of April, One Thousand
Eight Hundred and Forty-eight years: In presence
of the Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Council:

WHICH day Mr. LESLIE, Master of Mortifications, brought
forward the Motion of which he gave notice on the 6th ultimo,
for the appointment of a Committee for considering as to the
propriety of Printing the Deeds constituting the Mortifications
under the Council's administration, or Excerpts from these
Deeds, specifying the destination of the property; which mo-
tion was agreed to, and the following Gentlemen, viz.:—Mr.
LESLIE, Master of Mortifications, the Gentlemen of the Council
of the Legal Profession, along with Mr. FRASER, Master of Kirk
and Bridge Works, and Mr. BOTHWELL, Master of Guild
Brethren's Hospital, were named a Committee accordingly—
the Master of Mortifications, *Convener.*

AT ABERDEEN, the first day of May, One Thousand
Eight Hundred and Forty-eight years, in
presence of the Provost, Magistrates, and
Town-Council:

WHICH DAY the Clerk laid before the Council a Report by the
Committee appointed on the 3d ultimo, as to the Printing of
the Deeds of the different Mortifications in charge of the
Council, of which Report the tenor follows:—

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
17th April, 1848.

Report by Committee in reference to Printing the
Deeds constituting the Mortifications under the

Council's Administration, or Excerpts from these
Deeds.

PRESENT :

Mr. LESLIE, Master of Mortifications, *Convener.*
Baillie Ross ; Baillie Nicol ; Mr. WEBSTER, City
Treasurer ; Messrs. ALEXANDER HENDERSON,
GEORGE BLACK BOTHWELL, WILLIAM GRAY, ALEX-
ANDER TORRIE, and WILLIAM FRASER.

YOUR Committee to whom, on the 3d current, it was remitted to take the above matter into consideration, and to report thereon to the Council, beg to recommend that an abbreviate of the several Deeds of Mortification should be made up and printed, stating the names of the Donors, the dates of the Deeds, the amounts of the different Mortifications, and the nature of the bequests.

Your Committee also recommend that, in mentioning the special objects or destinations of the sums mortified, the same should be stated in the exact words used in the Deeds ; and that the expense of making up and printing this abbreviate be allocated amongst the Mortifications according to the amounts of the Funds at present at the Credit of the same respectively.

(Signed) JOHN LESLIE, C.

Which Report having been read over to, and considered by, the Council, they approved of the same, and remitted to the Committee to see the recommendations therein contained carried into execution.

Extracted from the Records of the Council, by

JOHN ANGUS, TOWN-CLERK.

MORTIFICATIONS, &c.

MORTIFICATION BY THE TOWN-COUNCIL, AND GUILDRY
OF ABERDEEN, OF CERTAIN DUES TO BE LEVIED
FROM GOODS BROUGHT INTO PORT FOR THE SUP-
PORT OF ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH.

10th October, 1449.

THE following Excerpt, shewing the foundation of “ St. Nicholas Metts,” is copied from the Council Register, Vol. v. (1), p. 743. “The quhilk day, it wes ordanit be hal Consale, with the consent of the merchandis of this burgh, that ilke merchant sending goods chande man that sendis gud to bruges sal gif in the honor of God, and Sanct Nicolace, our patron, that is to say, iiiii. gret of ilke sek of woll, and iiiii. gret of the clath of skynnis, and i. gret of ilke barrell, and a gret of ilke daer of hidis ; and this to be disponit upon the reparatioun of the parise kirk of Sanct Nicolace ; and of ilke barrell that passis out of this burgh to the firth, or zet ony othir place, 1d. of the barrell, to be disponit, as is forsaid ; and this wes grauntit with ane assent, and to be put under the commoun Sele, and for iiiii. yher til endur, quhil thai be better avisit.” Still farther, from Council Register, Vol. viii. p. 98 ; of date, 15 April 1502. “ The said day it was statutit, ordanit, and deliuerit, be ane suorne assiss that ale nichtbouris, induellaris of this burgh, and ale alienaris, that bringis in ony gret salt within this havin, sale deliver to Sanct Nicholes werk ane smale mett of ilk ane hundred, confering to the alde lovabill Rite, constitud, and

Merchant
sending goods
to Bruges shall
pay 3 groats
per sack of
wool.

3 groats per
clath of skins.
1 groat per
daer of hides.
1d. per barrel
going to the
Firth.

Dues on salt,
1 per cent.

vyss, of the said burghe." The next Council Minute upon this subject is dated 24th April, 1514, and is recorded at page 336 of the ixth Volume of the Council Register. It proceeds thus : " Thir statutis, eftir following, was maid and diuisit be the provest, Bailzeis, Counsale, and Communite, for the reformatioun of certane necessar thingis to be had in thar mydir kirk, to the honour and loving of God Almychti, the blissid Virgin, and thar glorious patron, Sanct Nicholace, and for the keiping of the towne fra strang seiknes, and specialie this contageus pestilence Ringand in ale partis, about this burghe, and for the keping of the townn fra the auld Innemeis of ing-land.

" In the first, in the loving of God Almychti, the blissed Virgin Mar. our glorious patroun, Sanct Nicholace, and all Sanct. for the decoring and reparatioun to be had in our modir kirk, in necessar and nedfull thingis, thought expedient; and, specialie, in sang bukis, for our queir, chantour, cappis, frontallis, towallis, of the hie alter, for clathis, chandelieris of brass, lettronis of brass, westmentis, and ornamentis, pertaining till the hie alter, chalis, mess buk, and all uder necessar thingis, to the decoring of the said alter, kirk, and queir ; It is diuisit, statut, and ordanit, That thair be takin of all schip-
 pis, that passis furth or is frauchit, out of this burghe, to flanderis, or Zeland, of euery sek of woll, or skinnis, sek lik, and of euery last of Salmond, and hiddis, tuelf gretis flandris money to be ressauit and uptakin of the marchandis gudes, that happinnis to be Input and ladnyt in the samyn schippis." . . . These Statutes were repeatedly confirmed by subsequent acts of Council. See Council Register, Vol. x. p. 60 ; Vol. xxviii. p. 291 ; Vol. xxix. p. 672 ; Vol. xlivi. pp. 402, 405 ; Vol. lii. p. 11.

12 groats Fle-
 mish for every
 sack of wool or
 skins, and last
 of salmon or
 hides going to
 Flanders or
 Zealand.

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN CLAT, CANON OF ABERDEEN,
OF CERTAIN FEU-DUTIES, AMOUNTING TO 7 PUNDS
SCOTS, YEARLY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FOUNDING
AN HOSPITAL, TO BE CALLED ST. THOMAS HOS-
PITAL OF ABERDEEN.

28th May, 1459.

THE following Deed is copied from the Cartulary of St. Nicholas, folio 62. "In Dei Nomine Amen, per hoc presens publicum Instrumentum, cunctis pateat euidenter, quod, anno ab incarnatione domini, millesimo quadringentesimo quinquagesimo nono, mensis vero maii vicesimo octauo. Cum omnes stabimus ante tribunal domini nostri Jesu Christi, prout in corpore gessimus, recepturi, siue bonum fuerit, siue malum; Ideoque venerabilis et circumspectus vir, magister Johannes Clat, ecclesiarum Aberdonen., et Brechinien., canonicus, volens, dante deo, sancte matris ecclesie cultum ampliare, et augere; . . . " dedit, concessit, et assignauit, omnes et singulas terras suas, et tenementa terrarum suarum, jacen. infra burgum de Abirdene, ex parte australi vici inferioris ecclesie eiusdem, inter torrentem siue aqueductum, qui decurrit a superiori molendino dicti burgi, ex parte orientali, ex una, et communem venellam, que est ex orientali parte cimiterii ecclesie parochialis beati nicholai dicti burgi, partibus, ex altera, prout se extendunt a dicto inferiore vico ecclesie, versus boream, usque ad terram Joannis howysoun burgen. dicti burgi versus austrum, ad unum hospitale construendum, ob honorem omnipotentis dei, et beate Marie Virginis, matris sue glorio- sissime, ac omnium sanctorum, et, specialiter, ob honorem sancti Thome Marteris, pro receptione pauperum et infirmorum, ad predictum hospitale superuenientium :—Cuiusquidem

hospitalis, terrarum, et possessionum, eidem assignatarum, et assignandarum, necnon pauperum et infirmorum, inibi post constructionem existentium, dominum Johannem Chawmer, in magistrum et rectorem, creavit, et ordinavit, sibique capellaniam eiusdem dedit, et Imperpetuum assignavit; Jus, autem, patronatus capellanie dicti hospitalis, post decessum suum, et dicti domini Johannis, ad prepositum, et communitatem, dicti burgi, futuris temporibus, voluit spectare et pertinere: Insuper eidem domino Johanni dedit et assignavit omnes et singulas terras et tenementa antedicta, una cum illo annuo redditu suo octodecim solidorum argenti, exeunte annuatim et leuando de terra Joannis barlotstone, Jacen. in cono vici castri, necnon cum illo annuo redditu suo sex solidorum et octo denariorum, exeunte annuatim et leuando, de terra henrici walcar, Jacente ex parte boreali vici inferioris ecclesie sepedicte, necnon cum illo annuo redditu suo sex marcarum, usualis monete Scotie, exeunte annuatim et leuando, de terris de mondinis, Jacen. infra vice-comitatum de Kyncardin, quem habuit ex mero conquestu, Alexandri de Petkarne, de mondinis, ad celebrandum in dicto hospitali, secundum dispositionem corporis, et anime sue, pro animabus domini nostri regis Jacobi moderni, Alexandri Stewart, Comitis de Mar, patris sui, matris sue, ipsius, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, de quibus habuit de bonis suis, directe, et indirecte; et hoc idem faciet quicunque capellanus, post decessum dicti domini Joannis, predictum hospitale regens."

The following is a Translation of the Foundation of St. Thomas' Hospital by the said John Clat:—In the name of God, Amen. Be it made clearly known to all men, by this present public Instrument, that, in the year from the incarnation of our Lord, one thousand four hundred and fifty-nine, the twenty-eighth day of the month of May: Since we shall all stand before the tribunal of our Lord Jesus Christ, to receive according as we have done in the body, whether it be good, or whether it be evil, Therefore a venerable and prudent man, Mr. John Clat, Canon of the Churches of Aberdeen, and

Brechin, willing, with God's permission, to extend and increase the worship of Holy Mother Church, . . . gave, granted, and assigned All and whole his lands, and tenements of his lands, lying within the Burgh of Aberdeen, on the south side of the Netherkirkgate of the same, between the burn or aqueduct, which runs down from the Upper Mill of the said burgh on the east, on the one side, and the common vennel, which is on the east side of the Cemetery of the Parish Church of the blessed Nicholás of the said Burgh, on the other side, as they extend from the said Netherkirkgate, towards the north, as far as the land of John howysoun burgess of the said Burgh towards the south, to the erecting of an hospital, for the honour of Almighty God, and the blessed Virgin Mary, his most Glorious mother, and of all the Saints, and specially, in honour of St. Thomas the Martyr, for the reception of poor and infirm men, coming to the foresaid hospital ; of which hospital, lands, and possessions, assigned, and to be assigned, to the same, as also of the poor and infirm men living in it, after its erection, he created and ordained Sir John Chawmer, to be master and rector, and gave and assigned to him, in perpetuity, the Chaplainry of the same ; but the right of patronage of the Chaplainry of the said hospital, after his own decease, and the decease of the said Sir John, he willed should belong and pertain, in time to come, to the Provost and Community of the said burgh ; Farther, he gave and assigned to the said Sir John All and whole his lands and tenements foresaid, together with that annual feu-duty, belonging to him, of Eighteen shillings of Silver, issuing annually, and leviable, from the land of John barlotsone, lying in the top of the Castlegate ; . . . as also with that annual feu-duty, belonging to him, of Six shillings and Eight pence, issuing annually, and leviable, from the land of Henry Walcar, lying on the north side of the foresaid Netherkirkgate ; . . . as also with that annual feu-duty, belonging to him, of Six merks, usual money of Scotland, issuing annually, and leviable, from the lands of Mondinis, lying within the Shire of Kincardin, which (feu-duty) he had by plain conquest of Alexander de Petkarne, of Mondinis, for celebrating in the

For the erection of an Hospital.

Dedicated to St. Thomas the Martyr, for the reception of poor and infirm men ;

the Patronage of which he gives to the Provost and Community of Aberdeen.

said hospital, according to the disposition of his body, and his soul, for the souls of our Lord, James the present king, Alexander Stewart Earl of Mar, his father, and mother, and of himself, and of all the faithful dead, of whose goods he had, directly and indirectly ; and this same thing every Chaplain whatsoever, governing the foresaid hospital, after the death of the said Sir John, shall perform.

In the earliest Hospital accounts existing, the revenue derived from this Mortification is stated to be 7 punds Scots yearly, or - £0 11 8

MORTIFICATION BY THE SAID JOHN CLAT, CANON OF
ABERDEEN, OF 19 RODDS IN KINTORE TO THE
SAID HOSPITAL OF ST. THOMAS.

4th July, 1459.

THE following Copy is made from folio 63 of the Cartulary of St. Nicholas :—Omnibus hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Ricardus de kintor, prepositus de Abirdene ac burgen. burgi de kintor, Salutem in Domino Sempiternam, Sciatis me,” . . . “ confirmasse magistro Johanni Chamer, magistro hospitalis Sancti Thome Marteris, de Abirdene, fundati per bone memorie venerabilem et circumspectum virum, magistrum Johannem Clat, ecclesiarum Abirdonen., et Brechinien., canonicum, totas et integras terras meas de Kyntor, cum pertinentiis, et specialiter decem, et nouem, rudas, cum pertinentiis, Jacen. infra burgagium dicti burgi,” . . . “ pro quadam certa summa pecunie,

quam venerabilis et circumspectus vir, magister Henricus Rynde, thesaurarius ecclesie Aberdonen, de mandato dicti magistri Johannis, de bonis memorati magistri Johannis clat, fundatoris hospitalis antedicti, in pecunia numerata, michi grantanter persoluebat," . . . "Tenendum et habendum" . . . "predicto magistro Joanni, suis successoribus, in predicto hospitali, pro anima memorati Joannis, fundatoris, et animabus predecessorum, et successorum, ipsius, ac pro omnibus animabus Christianis defunctis, deo, beate gloriosissime Virgini, Marie, et omnibus sanctis, et, specialiter, sancto Thome Martire, servientibus, et seruituris, a me," . . . "Reddendo," . . . "firmam regiam," . . . "et dominis de fentoun, de rudis expressatis, quinque bata avenarum, de antiqua mensura, ad terminos infra dictum burgum statutos.

The following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed :—To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Richard of Kintor, provost of Aberdeen, and burgess of the Burgh of Kintor, Greeting in God everlasting ; Know ye that I . . . have confirmed to Mr. John Chamer, master of the Hospital of St. Thomas the Martyr, of Aberdeen, founded by a venerable and circumspect man of good memory, Mr. John Clat, Canon of the Churches of Aberdeen and Brechin, All and whole my lands of Kintor, with the pertinents, and specially ten, and nine, Roods, with the pertinents, lying within the burgage territory of the said Burgh, . . . for a certain sum of money, which a venerable and circumspect man, Mr. Henry Rynde, Treasurer of the Church of Aberdeen, by command of the said Mr. John, graciously paid to me, in counted money, from the goods of the before mentioned Mr. John Clat, founder of the foresaid hospital ; . . . To be held . . . to the foresaid Mr. John, his successors, in the foresaid hospital, serving, and to serve God, the blessed and most glorious Virgin Mary, and all the Saints, and, specially, St. Thomas the Martyr, for the soul of the before mentioned John, the founder, and for the souls of his predecessors, and successors, and for all the souls of the Christian dead, from me . . . Rendering . . . the King's Feu-

duty, . . . and to the Lords of Fentoun, of the roods before mentioned, five measures* of oats, of old measure, at the terms ordained within the said burgh.

For value, *see* preceding Deed.

MORTIFICATION BY GAVIN DUNBAR, BISHOP OF ABERDEEN, OF THE LANDS OF ARDLAIR, TO THE SUPPORT OF THE BRIDGE OF DEE.

14th December, 1529.

“ OMNIBUS hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Gauinus, miseratione diuina, Aberdonen. Episcopus, salutem; . . . Noueritis nos, cum consensu, . . . decani et capituli nostre ecclesie . . . ad hoc specialiter, die capitulari, per sonum campane majoris, ut moris est, capitulariter congregatorum, . . . ecclesie Aberdonensis, atque reipublice, et regni Scotie, utilitate considerata, dedisse, . . . Gilberto Menzeie, preposito, balliuis, concilio, et communitati burgi de Aberdone, et suis successoribus, . . . Totas et integras terras nostras de Ardlair, . . . jacen. infra dominium et schiram de Clate, et comitatum de Garioch, ac vice-comitatum de Abirdene, ad sustentationem, manutensionem, reparationem, et, cum opus fuerit, reedificationem, noui lapidij pontis, super fluvio seu aqua de Dee, prope idem burgum de Aberdone, inter terras de Kinortht, ad abbatem et conuentum de Abirbrothok ex australi, et terras de Ruddreistoun, ad here-

* Batus, a measure in which they put the corn to give the horses, and sometimes called a gallon. Du Cange.

des quondam Henrici Leith, olim de Barnis, spectantes, ex
boriali partibus; . . . Tenendas totas et integras terras de Ardlair
predictas de Episcopis Aberdonensibus, in feodo et here-
ditate imperpetuum; . . . Reddendo inde, . . . episcopis Aber-
donensibus, xxvi. S. viii. usualis monete regni Scotie, ad
duos anni terminos consuetos, . . . una cum sustentatione, ma-
nutenzione, reparacione, constructione, et reedificatione, cum
opus fuerit, predicti noui pontis super aqua seu fluuio de
Dee, per episcopum strati, constructi, et edificati; secundum
tenorem cuiusdam obligationis, per prepositum, balliuos, et
communitatem, burgi de Aberdone, prefatos, facte, de data,
apud Aberdone, xiiii. die mensis Decembris, anno domini
MDXXIX., nomine feodifirme, tantum."

The following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed:—To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Gavin, by divine Mercy, Bishop of Aberdeen, greeting, . . . Know ye that we, with the consent of the Dean and Chapter of our Church, . . . assembled as a chapter, specially for this purpose, on a Chapter day, by the sound of the great bell, as use is; . . . the utility of the Church of Aberdeen, and Commonwealth, and Kingdom of Scotland, being considered, have given . . . To Gilbert Menzeis, Grantees. provost, the-baillies, Council, and Community, of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and their Successors, . . . All and whole our lands of Ardlair, . . . lying within the Lordship, and Shire of Clate, and Earldom of Garioch, and Sheriffdom of Aberdeen, for the support, maintenance, reparation, and when it shall be necessary, the rebuilding, of the new Stone bridge over the river or water of Dee, near the said Burgh of Aberdeen, between the lands of Kincortht, belonging to the Abbot and Convent of Arbroath on the south, and the lands of Ruddreiston, belonging to the heirs of the deceased Henry Leith, formerly of Barnis, on the north parts, . . . To be holden, all and whole the lands of Ardlair foresaid, of the Bishops of Aberdeen in fee and heritage, for ever, . . . Rendering therefrom, . . . to the Bishops of Aberdeen, xxvi. S. viii. d., usual money of the Kingdom of Scotland, at the two usual terms of the year, . . . together,

Purpose of the
Deed.

with the support, maintenance, reparation, building, and rebuilding, when it shall be necessary, of the foresaid new bridge upon the water or river of Dee, laid, constructed, and built, by the bishop, according to the tenor of a certain obligation, made by the provost, baillies, and community of the Burgh of Aberdeen foresaid, dated at Aberdeen, xiv. December, in the year of our Lord, MDXXIX, in name of feu-farm only.

By the obligation here mentioned the Magistrates and Council bound themselves, the Community, and their Successors, in terms of the Bishop's grant. The following Clause deserves to be copied. "And gif the saids landis of Ardlar happynis to be recouerit fra us, or owre successouris, be the Law, . . . in that caiss we sall nocht be oblist forther to susten the said bryg."

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, COUNCIL,
AND COMMUNITY OF ABERDEEN, OF THE ANNUAL
RENTS OF THE CHAPLAINRIES WITHIN THE PARISH
KIRK, TO THE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF
THE SAID PARISH KIRK.

12th January, 1572.

Council Regis- "THE said day, it was dewysit, statut, and ordanit, be the
ter, vol. xxvii. prowest, baillies, and Counsell, of this guid towne, and rate-
p. 308. feit, and apprevit, be the haill Communitie, convenit in thair

heid court, for the maist pairt representand the haill bodey of the towne, That the haill annuell rentis of the chepplanries, fundit within thair paroche kirk of Aberdeine, quhilkis ar at the donatioun and dispositioun of this guid towne, as patronis to the samen, witht all croftis, howsis, bigginis, few mailes, and wther deweteis, belangand thairto, sall remain perpetuallie, efter the deceis of the chepplanis, present possessouris of the same, as eweir thai sall happen to inlaik, respectiue and successiue, in the townis handis, on disponit to sik chepplanis, in tyme cuming ; But to be annexat." . . . " zeirlie, and perpetuallie, in all tymis cuming, to the uphalding, bigging, beiting, and repairing of thair said paroche kirk," . . . " and kirk-wark ; and ane just rentall, and inuitour, of the saidis annuel rentis to be maid in dew forme, and attour deuysit, . . . that the collectioun of the almes, to the support of the puir folkis, maid thir diuers zeiris, laitle bygane, be chengeit, . . . to the uphaulde of the said paroche kirk, . . . and that ewery honest man, baitht provest, and baillies, without exceptioun, ilk ane thair Sonday about, in ordour as thai stand, collect the said Support, and quha that disobeyis to pay to the Maister wark als mekill money, as wes collectit the Sonday obefoir."

These Feuduties were collected by a special officer, appointed for the purpose, who gave over the proceeds, amounting to 60 pounds Scots per annum, to the Council Register, taking into consideration the expense attending the collection, ordered them to be sold, at the rate of 20 years purchase, and the proceeds to be added to the Kirk Work Charge. (Council Register, Vol. xlvi. p. 405. and Vol. lii. p. 630).

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, COUNCIL,
AND COMMUNITY OF ABERDEEN, OF PART OF THE
GRAYFRIARS PLACE, TO BE AN HOSPITAL FOR THE
BURGH.

23d January, 1572.

Council Regis- "THE said day, the provest, baillies, Counsall, and communi-
ter, vol. xxvii. tie, of this guid toune, being lauchtfullie warnit to this day be
p. 813. the hand bell in generall," . . . "It was devysit, and ordanit,
be the haill consell, and ratefeit, and appreuit, be the haill
communitie, all in ane voce, That thair salbe erectit, haldin,
and mantenit, ane hospitall, for the puir honest dekayit folkis
borne, and bred, within this toun, withtin the gray frieris place
of the samen, quhilk place the toun hes purchest, be gift of the
authoritie, to the effect forsaid; And becauss the said place is
our mekill and ample for the said hospitall, Thay ordanit ane
pairt of the said place, and zaird thairof, to be sett in few to
nychtbouris of this burght, marcheandis and free men," . . .

"that will accept the same for zeirlie few ferme, The quhilk
zeirlie few ferme maill, and profeittis of it, yat beis sett in few,
to be annexat to the beitting, beilding, repairing, and upholding,
of the said hospitall, and supporting of the puirell con-
tentit thairin, And to that effect devysit, and ordanit, that the
said hospitall salbe maid of the haill northt quarter of the said
place; to be biggit and preparit be the avyss of the haill consall,
and craftis men, of guid iugement; And that the three
zairdis, presentlye occupiet be Dauid Mar, Alexander Reid,
and Williame Robertsoun, respectiue, be annexat perpetualye
to the said hospitall, for furnessing of the samen of keill and
herbis, and never to be sett nor disponit thairfra, in ony tyme
cuming; And that the haill kirk, witht Sanct Johnnis Yle,

wiht the greyt zett, and passage thairto, be reseruit to the toun," . . . And the remainder they ordained to be roup'd on the 19th day of October, 1576. The remaining part of this place was roup'd accordingly at an yearly rent of forty Pounds Scots. (Council Register, Vol. xxix; page 19.)

"Quhilk Sowme of fourtie pundis," says the minute, "the said provest, baillies, Counsell, and Communitie, deput and consignit to the support of the indigent, and puir, in thair hospitall, perpetuallie, in all tyme cuming, conforme to the donatione and erectioun thairoff, maid under thair command seill." At page 27 of the same volume, the legal deed of transference to the feuars is inserted, in the narrative of which the Council state, that they have preserved the grayfriars place at great trouble and expence, in the hope, that "in the same house an hospital may be erected, built, and held, in future, for poor, needy, and impotent, persons, born and educated from their cradles, within the said burgh."

Sum mortified, 40 punds per annum, or	£3 6s. 8d.
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N.B.—When the Monastery of Grayfriars was handed over to the Earl Marischal for his College, the Hospital received, in exchange for this property, a piece of ground belonging to the Town, which lay somewhere near Mounthooly, (23d September, 1594. Council Register, Vol. xxxv. p. 408.) And, on 14th August 1639, The Council considering that the Hospital had acquired from the Town various properties fully equal in value to the above annuity of 40 punds, directed the payment of 40 punds to be made in future to the Treasurer. (Council Register. Vol. lii. p. 488).

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, COUNCIL,
AND COMMUNITY OF ABERDEEN, OF CERTAIN FEU-
DUTIES, BELONGING TO THE CHAPLAINS OF ST.
NICOLAS, FOR THE SUPPORT OF ST. THOMAS' HOS-
PITAL.

19th August, 1575.

THE following Excerpt is made from the Council Register, Vol. xxviii. p. 542 :—" The said day, maister Johnne Kennedy, procuratour and generall collectour to the cheplanis of the paroche kirk of Abirdeine, with consent and assent of Schir Johnne Collesoune, maister Eduard Mengzes, Schir James Barclay, Schir Johnne Blak, and Schir Wilzeam Walcar, his breither and cheplanis only on lyif of the queyr and college of the said burght, comperit," before the Provost, Baillies, and Council, and there resigned " in the handis of Robert Mengzes, ane of the baillies of the said burght, all and haill thair landis, fischeingis, mailis, few mailis, and annuell rentis, quhatsum-euir," . . . " in favouris of the prouest, baillies, consell, and communite, of this burght thair successouris and assignais quhatsumeuir ; Reseruand alwais the samyn to the saidis cheplanis, during thair lyftymes." From the next minute, it appears, that, " the haill toune being laughtfully warnit, to this day, and compeirirg personally in judgement, for the maist pairt, representand the haill body of the toune," Robert Mengzes, one of the baillies explained the above mentioned transaction to them ; and, with regard to the disposal of these properties, " inquyrit at thame, gif thai wald consent and be content to resinge the samyn agane to the support and uphold of Sanct Thomas hospital, fundyt within this burght, besyd

thair paroche kirk, quhill forder supplie and support mycht be maid be thame thairunto." To all which the Community assented. The Resignation by the Chaplains was made complete by the saids John Kennedy and John Blak, on the 15th of February 1584. In requital, the magistrates and Council ordained the master of Hospital, in whose favour the Resignation had been made, to pay each of those parties (apparently the sole survivors of their brethren) the sum of 25 merks Scots each yearly, during their lives. Council Register, Vol. xxxi. page 567. The same Vol. (xxviii.) of the Council Register contains, at page 594, an entry of the first admissions, under the new arrangement, to this Hospital, of which the following is a Copy :—"7th October 1575. The said day the 7th October, 1575. 1st admission of Members of St. Thomas' Hos-
 provost, baillies, and counsell, acceptit and admittit Richert Watsoune, Johnne Malysoune, Thomas Watsoune, and Alexander Johnstoune, to be resauit in thair hospitall, within Sanct pital.
 Thomas cheppell, and ilkane of the saidis personis to haf ten poundis zeirlie, to be payit be the toune at twa usuall termes in the zeir," . . . " quhill forder ordour and prouisioune be takyn thairanent," . . . " and ilkane of the saidis personis to haf ane ute garmonth, all of ane colour, and fascheoune, zeirly, on the tounis expensis. And that name be receavit, bot singill personis without wyffis and barnis, in the said hospitall, at na tyme cuming."

The above Feudities are entered in the Guild Brethren's Hospital accounts for 1630 as "annuels mortifet to the said hospitall be Mr. John Kennedye Clerk of Abirdein," and are given as amounting to 6 punds 7 S. Scots yearly, or £0 10 0 $\frac{7}{12}$

Note.—By minute of Council dated 9th April, 1617, the allowance to each Beadman was increased to 40 punds Scots per annum, (Council Register, Vol. xlviii. page 86.) This allowance was farther increased to 100 punds Scots per annum, by another Act, dated 9th March 1631. (Council Register, Vol. lii. (1). page 15.) Various regulations, affecting the constitution of the Hospital, were passed at

different times, which may be seen by referring to the above entries, and to Vol. li. (1). page 533. Vol. lii. (1). page 38.; liv. p. 138.; lxiii. pp. 22, 23, 72, 164, 179, 197, 198; lxv. p. 128. See also Kennedy's annals, Vol. ii. p. 78.

MORTIFICATION BY SEVERAL PARTIES AFTER-MENTIONED, OF SUMS AMOUNTING IN ALL TO 100 PUNDS SCOTS TO ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL.

8th October, 1577.

THE following Excerpt is taken from the Council Register, Vol. xxix. p. 293. "The said day, in presens of Robert Mengzes, ane of the baillies of the said burght, Andrew Kyng, burgess of the forsaid burght, grantit hym to haff receavit fra the handis of David Andersoun, and Hew Hervie, burgessis of the said burght, keiparis of the Siluir, left in legacies, and utherwayis collectit, to the beidmen and convent of Sanct Thomas Hospitall, fundat and presentlie provydit within this burght," . . . "The Sowme of ane hundreth poundis usual monee of this realme, collectit to the said hospitalite, for thame, and thair Successouris, sustentatioun thairoff, in tym cuming, fra the personis departit, eftir following:—That is to say; left in legacies, be umquhill Alexr. Andersone, fader to the said Dauid, to the said hospitalite, Ten pundis; be Patrik Mengzes off ferrehill, ten poundis; The merchandis of the Schip off Abirdene, callit the Androw, in thair Weage

Alexr. Anderson, 10 pounds.

Patr. Mengzes, 10 pounds.

furht, and hame, fra Danskyn, ten poundis ; be Wilzeam Gardyn, flescheare, ten S. ; Cristane Straquhyn, Spous and relict of umquhill Johnne Sowlis, xl. S. ; Elspet Wandy, relict of umquhill James Anderson, four poundis viii. S. xd. ; be umquhill Thomas Cargill, five merkis ; And the rest of the said Sowme, furneist furtht of the penalties, and utheris of the kirk, and Sessioun, of the said burght.

Sum mortified 100 punds, or

£8 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER CULLEN, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF CERTAIN FEU-DUTIES, AMOUNTING
TO 7 PUNDS SCOTS YEARLY, FOR THE SUPPORT OF
ST. NICHOLAS PARISH CHURCH.

20th August, 1584.

OMNIBUS hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Alexander Cullen,
burgensis de Abirdene, patronus indubitatus capellanie Sancti
Sacramenti corporis et sanguinis Christi, . . . Salutem ; ha-
bita consideratione, quod quondam predecessores mei (Bone
memorie) varios et diuersos annuos redditus, percipiendos, . . .
de quibusdam terris, Jacentibus infra burgum de Aberdeine, . . .
dictae Capellanie, . . . in puram et perpetuam elimosinam, de-
derunt. . . . Ego, autem, eo animo huiusmodi . . . emolumenta,
sic ecclesie dicata, . . . minime in Idolatricos, aut etiam pro-
phanos, neque in proprios usus, convertendi, verum, ut dicti
annui redditus in pios usus, pro reparatione et instauratione

dicte ecclesie, convertantur et applicentur ; . . . Noueritis me,
 igitur, In honorem Dei omnipotentis, pro reparatione et in-
 stauratione ecclesie parochialis dicti burgi, et, presertim, an-
 guli borealis eiusdem, in quo corpora predecessorum meorum
 sepeliuntur, dedisse, . . . prefate ecclesie, et magistro operis
 eiusdem, . . . suisque successoribus, prouentuum dicte ecclesie
 collectoribus, omnes et singulos annuos redditus subsequen-
 tes, . . . videlicet ; unum annum redditum quindecim soli-
 dorum, usualis monete regni Scotie, annuatim leuandum, . . . de
 terra quondam Dauidis Reyburne, . . . Jacen. in vico inferiore
 ecclesie, ex boreali parte eiusdem vici, . . . Item unum annu-
 um redditum sexdecim solidorum, . . . de terra quondam
 Joannis Cullen de Knaven, . . . Jacen. in capite boreali vici
 lati furcarum ; . . . Item unum annum redditum decem soli-
 dorum, . . . de terra quondam Joannis Blak, . . . Jacen. in
 vico lemurum ; . . . Item unum annum redditum decem
 solidorum, . . . de terra quondam Thome Pratt, . . . Jacen.
 extra portam orientalem, vocatam fuitties port, . . . vici castri,
 ad pedem montis ; . . . Item unum annum redditum duorum
 solidorum, . . . de terra quondam Joannis Knowis, . . . jacen. in
 vico furcarum, ex occidentali parte eiusdem vici, . . . Item
 unum annum redditum septem solidorum, . . . de terra quon-
 dam Thome Mar, . . . jacen. ex occidentali parte dicti vici fur-
 carum ; . . . Item unum annum redditum septem solidorum
 et sex denariorum, . . . de terra quondam Joannis Gilles-
 py, . . . jacen. in vico furcarum, ex occidentali parte eiusdem
 vici ; . . . Item unum annum redditum quatuor solidi-
 orum, . . . de terra quondam Mariote Glenny, . . . jacen. in
 vico furcarum, ex orientali parte eiusdem vici ; . . . Item
 unum annum redditum tredecim solidorum et quatuor denariorum,
 . . . de terra quondam Willelmi Ratry, . . . jacen. in
 vico castri ex orientali parte eiusdem vici ; . . . Item unum
 annum redditum octodecim solidorum et octo denariorum, . . .
 de terra quondam Joannis glenmaling, . . . jacen. in eodem
 vico ; . . . Item unum annum redditum tredecim solidorum
 et quatuor denariorum, . . . de terra quondam Henrici Vo-
 catt, . . . jacen. in capite dicti vici castri ; . . . Item unum an-

nuum redditum decem solidorum, . . . de terra quondam Gilberti Wauss, . . . Jacen. in lie chacker raw, ex boreali parte eiusdem vici ; . . . Item unum annum redditum decem solidorum, . . . de terra quondam Mathie Coupar, . . . jacen. in vico nauium, ex occidentali parte eiusdem ; . . . Item unum annum redditum trium solidorum et quatuor denariorum, . . . de terra quondam Joannis Chalmer, nunc vero nobilis et potentis domini, Georgii Comitis Marriscalli, domini Keytht, &c., Jacen. in vico castri, ex australi parte eiusdem vici ; . . . omnibus annuis redditibus supradictis extenden. in toto ad summam septem librarum, monete antedicta ; . . . Tenen. . . . in puram et perpetuam elimosinam, imperpetuum ; . . . Cum libera, tamen, facultate et priuilegio sepulchri, mihi, uxori, liberis, nepotibus, consanguineis meis, cognominis Cullen, in dicto Angulo, si unquam sepulchro iis in ea ecclesia concessum fuerit . Quiquidem magister operis . . . suique successores Inuenient, et sustentabunt, luminaria in eodem Angulo, tam mane, quam vespere, tempore hiemis, perpetuis temporibus futuris ; Cum priuilegio, etiam, honorifice sedis in huiusmodi Angulo, mihi, et meis subscriptis, tantum.”

THE following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed :—“ To All who shall see or hear this Charter, Alexander Cullen, bnrgess of Aberdeen, undoubted patron of the Chaplainry of the Holy Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, . . . Greeting ; Having Consideration that my deceased predeces- sors (of good memory) gave, *in puram et perpetuam elimosinam*, to the said Chaplainry, various and different feu-duties, to be levied, . . . from certain lands lying within the burgh of Aberdeen ; . . . But I, with the purpose of converting these emoluments, so dedicated to the Church, not at all to Idolatrous, or even profane uses, nor to my own benefit, bnt that the said annual Feu-duties may be converted and applied to pious uses, for the reparation and restoration of the said Church ; . . . know Ye that I, therefore, in honour of Almighty God, for the

Mortification
intended spe-
cially for the
North Corner
of the said
Church.

reparation and restoration of the Parish Church of the said Burgh, and especially the Northern Corner of the same, in which the bodies of my predecessors are buried, have given, . . . to the foresaid Church, and the master of work of the same, . . . and to his Successors, collectors of the Revenues of the said Church, All and whole the annual Feu-duties following; . . . viz:—an annual feu-duty of fifteen shillings, usual money of the Kingdom of Scotland, yearly leviable, . . . from the land of the deceased David Reyburne, . . . lying in the Nether-kirkgate, on the north side of the said Street; . . . also an annual feu-duty of sixteen shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased John Cullen of Knaven, . . . lying in the north head of the Broadgate, of the Gallowgate; . . . also an annual feu-duty of ten shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased John Blak, . . . lying in the Guest-row; . . . Also an annual feu-duty of ten shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased Thomas Pratt, . . . situated without the East port, called the futtie's port, of the Castlegate, at the foot of the hill; . . . also an annual feuduty of two shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased John Knowis, . . . situated in the Gallowgate, on the west side of the same street; . . . Also an annual feu-duty of seven shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased Thomas Mar, . . . situated on the west side of the said Gallowgate; . . . also an annual feu-duty of seven shillings and sixpence, . . . from the land of the deceased John Gillespy, . . . lying in the Gallowgate, on the west side of the same street; . . . also an annual feu-duty of four shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased Mariot Glenny, . . . lying in the Gallowgate, on the east side of the said street; . . . also an annual feu-duty of thirteen shillings and fourpence, . . . from the land of the deceased William Ratry, . . . lying in the Castlegate, on the east side of the said street; . . . also an annual feu-duty of eighteen shillings and eightpence, . . . from the land of the deceased John glenmaling . . . lying in the same street; . . . also an annual feu-duty of thirteen shillings and fourpence, . . . from the land of the deceased Henry Vocatt, . . . lying in the head of the said Castlegate; . . . also an annual feu-duty of ten

shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased Gilbert Wauss, . . . lying in the Chacker raw, on the north side of the same street; . . . also an annual feuduty of ten shillings, . . . from the land of the deceased Mathew Coupar, . . . lying in the Shiprow, on the west side of the same; . . . also an annual feu-duty of three shillings and fourpence, . . . from the land of the deceased John Chalmer, but now of a noble and potent lord, George Earl Marrischall, lord Keytht &c., lying in the Castlegate, on the south side of the same street; . . . the whole annual feu-duties, above mentioned, extending, in all, to the sum of Seven pounds money foresaid:—To be holden, . . . *in puram et perpetuam elimosinam*, for ever, . . . But with free power, and privilege, of burial to me, my wife, Children, posterity, and relations, of my Surname of CULLEN, in the said Corner, if burial shall ever be granted to them, in that Church; Which master of work, . . . and his successors, shall find, and uphold, luminaries in the said Corner, morning, as well as evening, during winter, perpetually in time to come; with the privilege, also, of an honourable seat in this Corner, to me, and my foresaids, only.

Master of Kirk
Work shall
keep lights
burning there
in the winter,
mornings and
evenings.

Sum mortified 7 pounds Scots yearly, or £0 11 8

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE GEORGE MIDDLETOURN, OF
20 PUNDS TO ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL.

12th September, 1593.

THE following Extract is taken from part ii. of Vol. xxxiv. of the Council Register, page 955:—"The said day, upon the sup-

plicationoun, presentit to the Counsall this day, be Williame Jak and Johne Tilledaff, maisters of the hospitall of the samen, In name of the puir beddals thairoff, makand mentioun that, quhairto umquhill Mr. George Middiltoun, sumtyme baillie of this burght, be the space of eillevin zeeris, bygane, or thairby, left in his legacie and testament to the said hospitall, and personis thairin placit, the sowme of Twentie pundis money, quhilk sowme, sometyme efter the umquhill Mr. George deceis, wes delyuerit be Mr. Richert Iruyng to the prouest, baillies, and Counsall, of the said Burgh ;" and desiring the Counsall to lay the said Sum out at Interest for the benefit of the hospitall. This request was agreed to by the Council.

Sum mortified 20 punds, or	£1 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, AND COUNCIL, OF 4500 MERKS, FOR UPHOLDING THE BRIDGE OF DEE.

15th June, 1596.

" THE same day, the prouest, baillies, and persones of the Counsall, ordained the Sowme of four thousand merks money, which was gottin for the heretale right of the Lands of Ardlaир, with the yeirs profit thereof, viz :—Four hundredth and fourscore merkes, togither with the soume of tuantie merks, to be payed to the deane of gild, extending, in the haill, to four thousand and fyive hundredth merks, to be mortified, in all tyme cumeing, to the helpe, support, and uphold, of the bridge

of Dee, and employed upon securitie to that effect." Likewise "the saids Provest, Baillies, and Counsall," . . . "mortifies, dotis, and destinats, the said Soume of four thousand and fyve hundredth merks to be laid, and employed upon land, or fisch-
ings, to the uphaulde, and maintaining, of the said bridge of Dee, and noways to be broken, bestowed, or utherwayes im-
ployed; But to be perpetuallie mortified to the work above
specified."

To be laid out
upon Land,
and not to be
broken upon.

Sum mortified 4500 merks Scots, or - £250 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, AND COUN-
CIL, OF THE SUM OF £912 1 8 SCOTS MONEY,
BEING THE BALANCE ON THE DEAN OF GUILD'S
ACCOUNTS, TO THE AUGMENTATION OF THE PA-
TRIMONY OF THE BURGH.

21st September, 1596.

"THE Provest, Baillies, and Counsall," understanding that there was a surplus arising from "the grassumes and compositione gotten from the fewaris of the common landis," "ordaines the Soume of thrie Score and fyve pounds, Sexteine Schilling, aucht pennies, restand in the handis of the deane of gild, by and attour the Soume of fourscore pounds of gild wyne, reserved in his handis, to the use of the brethrene of gild, as money properlie belonging to them, Togidder with the Soume of Aucht hundredth fourtie Sex pounds, fyve schilling, restand in the hands of Maister George Andersone, thesaurar, amounting, in the haill, (by the said gild wyne, whilk is excepted as said is) to the Soume of nyne hundredth tuelf punds, ane schil-

ling, aucht pennies, to be mortified, and employed upon land, and profite, to the augmentatione of the yeerly Rent and patrimony of this burgh, in all tyme cuming, and noways to be
 To be Stocked, broken, bestowed, nor utherways employed, but perpetuallie
 and not broken
 upon.
 mortified, and laid upon Land and profite, to the augmentatione of the tounes yeirlie rent, as said is."

Sum mortified 912 pounds 1s. 8d. Scots, or £76 0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE ALEXANDER JAFFRAY, OF
 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
 HOSPITAL.

15th February, 1597.

Council Reg.
 vol. xxxvii.
 p. 300.

"THE quhilk day Alexander Jaffray compeirand in presens of the Counsall, alledgit, he being baillie of this burght, in anno 1594, and having collectit the contributioun, grantit to the puire that zeir of the . . . quarter, nochtwithstanding that he hed the ministers Discharge thairupon, finds that he hes sum of the said Collectionoun, as he remembers, zit in his hands ungevin out, and thairfor, movit of cheratie, and godlie zeall, was resolued presentlie to mortifie, and destinat, to the pure, and hospitall of this burght, the Sowme of ane hundredth merks, nocht that he was restand auchtand nar that Sowme, bot a small part thairof, quhairunto the Counsell presentlie consented."

Sum mortified, 100 merks Scots, or - £5 11 1

This Sum was laid out upon the purchase of Feu-duties, which in 1618 brought 10 pounds 6 S. 8d. Scots of Revenue per annum.

MINUTE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL, SHEWING THE FIRST
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GUILD BOX.

16th July, 1600.

THE following Extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. xxxix. page 493 :—“ The said day, the prouest, baillies, and Counsall, ordanit Dauid Cargill, deane of guild, to mak ane Box bandit with Irne, havand four lockis and four keyis, for keping of the siluer gevin and grantit be the merchand trafficqueris of this burght, and promeist be thame in thair weyages to forane cuntries, and fra the samen, to the support of the purell, or zit tackin up within schippis, for brackis and enormiteis, committit within schip buird, and sic uther accidentis, as is commounlie uplifted of merchandis, and the four keyis thairoff to be kepit be four persones to be appoyntit be counsall, be the advise of the Brether of gild : And the said siluer, input in the said box, to be employit and bestowit to the help and support of the decayit brether of gild of this burght ; And the expensis, to be maid thairon, to be allowit to the said deane of gild in his comptis.”

4 persons appointed to keep the 4 keys of the Box, who are to be elected by advice of the Burgesses.

The following minute, giving fuller details, and dated 23rd September, 1600, is copied from page 618, of the same Volume of the Register :—

“ The said day, the haill Towne being convenit within the Tolbuyth, and the Brether of Gild and merchandis, for the maist pairt, being assemblit, zit, as obefoir, grantit, consentit, and agreit, that ane commoun box suld be maid, quhilk was this day presentit in jugement be Dauid Cargill deane of gild, to be callit, in all tyme cumming, the merchandis Box ; And the siluer to be collectit be the saidis merchandis, quhairof the particularis folowis, to be put thairin Employit and bestowit, for the help and support of the decayit merchandis, and brether of gild,

Dean of Guild of this burght ; And that the deane of gild, for the tyme, sall shall keep the Box, and shall ever hawe the keping of the said Box, quha sal be haldin to account for the hawe ane buik, quhairin Sal be wretin be the merchand, Insums received.

gever of ony Sowme to the box, the quantitie of the Sowme input be him, the day off the Inputting thairoff, with the dait off the zeir, quhilk the merchand Ingevar sal be haldin to subscribe, gif he can wreit, and gif he can not wreit, to be subscrivit be a notar for him ; And the three keyis of the said box to be kepit be thrie seuerall personnes, to be chosin zeirlie, at the feist of Michaelmes, be consent of the brether of gild ; Off

Keepers chosen the quhilkis thrie personnes, thay ordane the Thesaurar of this for the 3 keys, of whom the burght, for the tyme, ever to be ane, And the uther twa per- Treasurer to be sones to be of the merchand estate." . . . " Sua that the dean 2 shall be Mer- of gild, quha is kepar of the Box, sall novayes have the keping chants.

off ony of the keyis thairoff. Folowis the particularis and accidentis devyisit to be input in the said Box :—

I.—In the ffirst, all merchandis passand to thair woyages, furth of Scotland, to ony forane cuntrie, at the election of thair foud, or Justiciar, in thair woyages furth and hame : The fowd and his Clerk that woyage sall be ansuirabill to the said Box, off all unlawis and convictionis of merchandis for swering, Banning, or tacking the Lordis name in waine, all unlawis incurrit be the saidis merchandis for pleying, mispersoning, In- iuring, or bludevict, betuixt merchand and merchand, in thair saids woyages, ather be land or be sey ; The almess collectit ilk day, or ilk secund or third day, in the sey, efter Goddis ser- vice and ordinar prayeris, in the morning ; All Sowmes of money, promesit and conditioned to the puire, in tymes of distres and storme of wether, in perrell and danger of thair lyvis, be the merchandis, every merchand, or sa mony of ane schip- pis merchandis, as waschis their heidis in France, Flanderis, Danskin, or uther cuntrie, to giff and collect to the said box, to the honour of God, and thair puir and nedie brethrene, and to thair wyffis, and bairnis, left in pouertie and distres.

II.—Everie persone admittit frie burges of gild of the said burght, the tyme of his admissioun, sall pay to the said Box Sex S. viii. d. ; And farder as thay sall be movit to giff.

III.—Everie Goddis pennie gevin betuixt merchand and merchand, at the making of ony Blok, or Bargane, being endit; And als all Goddis penneis, gevin at the frauchting of Schippis, salbe gevin in to the said Box."

Other measures were taken, long after this, to increase the Funds belonging to the Box; for a full detail of which reference is made to minute of the Town Council, dated 2 December, 1736, recorded in Council Register, Vol. lx, pp. 455, 462.

MORTIFICATION BY WALTER WISHART, BURGESS OF
HAMBURGH, OF 250 PUNDS TO ST. THOMAS' HOS-
PITAL.

30th December, 1601.

THE following Excerpt, is copied from the Council Register, Vol. xl. page 342:—"The quhilk day, in presence of the Prouest, Bailleis, and Consall, of the said Burght, Comperit Robert Wischert, Burges thairof, brother germane to umquhill Walter Wischert, burges of Hamburght, and producit and exhibit ane wreit, datit at Hamburght, the Tuentie day of August last by-past, Subscrivit, as apperit, be Gabriell and Hanis Wischertis, sones to the said umquhill Walter, and be Thomas Crystie his sone-in-law, Bering that it was of treuth that the said umquhill Walter, befoir his deceis, in his testament and letter will, left to the Beddellis of Sanct Thomas Hospitall of

this burght ane hundredth daleris," . . . " with the Soume of Tuentie pundis Scottis, send be the said umquhill Walter, to be gevin to the Beddellis of the said hospitall," . . . " the said hundredth daleris extending in Scottis money to the sowm of Twa hundredth and threttie pundis, comptand ilk dalour in Scottis money to fourtie sex Schillingis, and the said tuentie pundis, amounting in all, to the Sowme of Tua hundredth and fyftie pundis Scottis money."

Sum mortified 250 pounds Scots, or	-	£20 16 8
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MORTIFICATION BY SIR ALEXANDER HAY, LORD CLERK
REGISTER OF SCOTLAND, OF ANNUAL FEU-DUTIES
AMOUNTING TO 27 8 8 SCOTS TO THE SUPPORT
OF THE BRIDGE OF DON.

1st February, 1605.

OMNIBUS hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Magister Alexander Hay, Clericus Senatus et Consilii S.D.N. regis," . . . " No-ueritis me, pro zelo motum, in honorem dei omnipotentis, et ut sustineatur politia huius regni, in hac parte; Et quia annales testantur pontem lapidetum, super aquam de done, prope burgum de Abirdene, constructum fuisse ex mandato et Impensis quondam Invictissimi principis Roberti Brucii, Scotie regni, op-time memorie, regis; qui, partim iniuria temporis, partim quod nulli annui prouentus suppetant unde sustineatur, ad interitum perduci videtur; Et quia plurimum interest toti boreali parti pre-fati regni, presertim ciuibus dicti burgi, ne antiquum illud mo-

numentum corruat, et ex aliis causis, rationi consonis, animum meum ad hoc mouentibus; Itaque donasse concessisse alienasse," . . . " preposito, ballivis, consulibus, et communitati dicti burgi, de Abirdene, et eorum successoribus, Totas et integras firmas, feudifirmarias, et annuos redditus meos subscriptos, annuatim leuandos et percipiendos de terris et croftis subscriptis, viz:—annuam firmam feudifirmariam quatuordecem librarum, usualis monete regni Scotie, de croftis subscriptis debitam, olim Magistro Roberto Lumisden de Clovacht incumben. et nunc ad Alexandrum Cullen, burgen. de Abirdene, hereditarie spectan, Jacen. infra territorium croftarum burgi de Abirdene, viz:—una crofta, vocata adiepingill, Jacente inter croftam quondam Alexandri Gray ex australi, croftam quondam Joannis Cheyne ex boreali; communem viam regiam ex orientali, et lie cruikit myir ex occidentali partibus; ac alia crofta terre, nuncupata lie lang rig, inter croftam quondam Andree Brabbiner, postea Alexandri Mollisoun, et nunc Alexandri Kemp, ex australi, Croftam olim fratribus predictoribus incumbentem ex boreali, communem viam regiam ex orientali, et dictum lie cruikit myir ex occidentali partibus; Et alia crofta Jacen. prope domum leprosorum, inter croftam quondam Mariote Umphray, nunc ad collegium regale de Abirdene spectan. ex australi, croftam quondam Joannis Wear ex boreali, communem viam regiam ex orientali, et lie calsey myir ex occidentali partibus; ac alia crofta prope lie Spittell-hill, inter croftam dicti quondam Joannis Wear ex australi, lie Spittell-hill ex boreali, communem viam regiam ex boreali (?) et lye calsey myir ex occidentali partibus; ac alia crofta, vocata fill ye cop, per quondam Magistrum Adamum Gordoun fundata, Jacen. prope lie theiffis briggis, inter croftam Dauidis Mar ex australi, et orientali, partibus, croftam olim dictis fratribus predictoribus pertinen. ex boreali, et communem viam regiam ex occidentali partibus; Item aliam firmam feudifirmariam novem librarum monete predicte de terris quondam magistri Alexandri Galloway, rectoris de kinkell, vocatis crynis Wallis, nunc Thome Quhyit naute burgen. dicti burgi incumben. Jacen. in territorio de futtie, infra libertatem dicti burgi, inter terras

Dauidis Andersoun ex boreali, terras vocatas thrie lang
 riggis ex australi, fluxum maris ex occidentali, et terras quon-
 dam Joannis Mar ex occidentali, (?) partibus ; et de dictis terris,
 vocatis thrie lang riggis, Jacen. ex australi parte de lie Auld
 Wallis, inter terras dicti Dauidis Andersoun et terras Andree
 Murray ex australi, terras vocatas Sandilandis et terras Joann-
 sis Mar ex boreali, Terras communitatis de Abirdene, lie
 linkis appellatas, ex orientali, et terras dicti Andree Murray
 ex occidentali partibus ; et de dictis terris, vocatis Sandi-
 landis, Jacen. inter dictas terras, vocatas thrie lang riggis, ex
 australi, terras Andree Murray ex boreali, terras lie linkis
 nuncupatas ex orientali, et terras dicti Joannis Mar ex occi-
 dentali, partibus ; et de terris, nuncupatis lie cuttingis de fuities
 myir, Jacen. inter terras dicti Alexandri Cullen ex australi, fuities
 myir ex boreali, dictas terras vocatas lie linkis ex orientali,
 et terras quondam Vilhelmi Fuddeis ex occidentali
 partibus ; ac de terris dicti quondam Magistri Alexandri
 Jacen. inter viam publicam, vocatam boulget, ex boreali, aque-
 ductum discenden. a lie fuities myir ex australi, terras quon-
 dam domini de Barnis ex occidentali, et fuities myire ex orientali ;
 ac de tribus petiis terrarum, vocatis lie cuttingis, Jacen.
 inter aque-ductum predictum ex boreali, terras fratum domus
 Sancte trinitatis de Abirdene ex australi, terras dicti Vilhelmi
 Fuddeis ex orientali, et fluxum marinum ex occidentali, par-
 tibus, nunc dicto Thome quhyt naute in feudifirma pertinen. ;
 Item unum annum redditum triginta trium solidorum et
 quatuor denariorum, monete predicte, de crofta terre olim
 quondam Vilhelmo Kintor, burgen. dicti burgi, et nunc Joanni
 Donaldsone burgen. eiusdem, pertinen. Jacen. prope lie gallow-
 gait poirt dicti burgi, vocata calsay croft, alias lie lang riggis,
 inter croftam capellanorum collegii Abirdonen. ex australi,
 Croftam quondam Vilhelmi Edie ex boreali, communem
 viam regiam ex orientali, et lye cruikit myir ad occiden. ;
 annum redditum viginti sex solidorum et octo denario-
 rum de crofta terre, nunc Joanni Leith de Montgarie per-
 tinen. Jacen. prope lie Crabstane, ex parte occidentali ter-
 ritorii croftarum dicti burgi, inter croftam quondam Ricardi

Kyntor ex orientali, croftam quondam Alexandri Kyntor ex occidentali, communem viam regiam ex australi, et croftam quondam Joannis Mar ex boreali, partibus; Item annum redditum viginti octo solidorum et octo denariorum, monete predicte, levand et percipiend. de crofta terre olim quondam Joannis Howye, burgen. dicti burgi, et nunc Joanni Tullidaff burgen. ibidem, spectan. Jacen. ex parte orientali territorii croftarum dicti burgi, inter croftam quondam Alexandri Gray ex australi, croftam quondam Roberti Scroggis ex boreali, communem viam regiam ex occidentali, et lie Gallowhills ex orientali partibus; extenden. in toto ad summam viginti septem librarum octo solidorum et octo denariorum; una cum superioritate mea dictarum terrarum et croftarum; Quequidem feudifirme, sed anni redditus, cum superioritate predicta, quatenus per me licitum est, de presenti mortificantur, et ad manum mortuam conceduntur, ad reparationem et sustentationem dicti pontis de Done, pro tanto; Ita quod licitum erit dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus, et ciuibus, dicti burgi, eorumque successoribus, aut eorum magistro operis dicti pontis, pro tempore, dictas feudifirmas, et annuos redditus, predictarum croftarum, cum suis pertinentiis, annuatim, et terminatim, recipere, et easdem ad reparationem et sustentationem dicti pontis applicare, et ad nulos alias usus, prout deo in extremo iudicio respondere voluerint."

THE following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed:—To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Mr. Alexander Hay, Clerk of the Parliament, and Council, of our Sacred Lord the King, . . . Know Ye that I, moved by zeal, in honour of Almighty God, and in order that the Commonwealth of this kingdom may be maintained, in this part; And because annals testify

Reasons for
making this
Mortification.

that the Stone bridge over the water of Done, near the burgh of Aberdeen, was built by command, and at the expense of, the deceased most invincible prince, Robert Bruce, king of the kingdom of Scotland, of most excellent memory ; which (bridge), partly by the injury of time, partly because no annual provision may help its maintenance, seems to be going into decay ; And whereas it concerns very much the whole north part of the foresaid kingdom, especially the Citizens of the said burgh, that that ancient monument may not come to ruin ; And for other reasonable causes moving my mind to

Grants the fol-
lowing Proper-
ties to the
Council and
Community of
Aberdeen.

this ; Therefore, I have given granted and alienated, . . . to the Provost, Baillies, Councillors, and Community, of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and to their Successors, All and whole my feudities and annual returns underwritten, annually leivable and receivable from the lands and crofts underwritten, viz :— an annual feuduty of fourteen pounds usual money of the Kingdom of Scotland, due from the Crofts underwritten, belonging formerly to Mr. Robert Lumsden of Clovacht, and now heritably pertaining to Alexander Cullen, Burgess of Aberdeen, lying within the territory of the Crofts of the Burgh of Aberdeen, viz :—one Croft, called Adiepingill, lying between the Croft of the deceased Alexander Gray on the south, the Croft of the deceased John Cheyne on the north, the king's common-way on the east, and the Cruikitmyir on the west parts ; and another croft of land, called the lang rig, between the croft of the deceased Andrew Brabiner, afterwards of Alexander Mollisoun, and now of Alexander Kempt, on the south, the Croft formerly belonging to the preaching Friars on the north, the king's common way on the east, and the said Cruikitmyir on the west parts ; and another croft, lying near the lepers' house, between the croft of the deceased Mariot Umphray, now belonging to the King's College of Aberdeen, on the south, the Croft of the deceased John Wear on the north, the King's common-way on the east, and the Calsey myir on the west parts ; and another Croft, near the Spittell hill, between the croft of the said deceased John Wear on the south, the Spittellhill on the north, the King's common high way on the

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north, and the Calsey myir on the west parts ; and another Croft, called fill the Cop, built upon by the deceased Mr. Adam Gordoun, lying near the theiffis briggis, between the Croft of Dauid Mar on the south and east parts, the Croft formerly pertaining to the saids preaching friars on the north, and the King's common-way on the west parts ; Also another Feuduty of nine pounds of the foresaid money from the lands of the deceased Mr. Alexander Galloway, rector of Kinkell, called Crynis Wallis, now belonging to Thomas Quhyit, Mariner, burgess, of the said burgh, lying in the territory of futtie, within the liberty of the said burgh, between the lands of Dauid Andersoun on the north, the lands called thrie lang riggis on the south, the Flow of the Sea on the west, and the lands of the deceased John Mar on the west (?) parts ; And from the saids lands, called thrie lang riggis, lying on the south side of the auld wallis, between the lands of the said Dauid Andersoun and the lands of Andrew Murray on the south, the lands called Sandilandis and the lands of John Mar on the north, the lands of the Community of Aberdeen called the linkis on the east, and the lands of the said Andrew Murray on the west parts ; and from the saids lands, called the Sandilandis, lying between the saids lands, called thrie lang riggis, on the south, the lands of Andrew Murray on the north, the lands called the linkis on the east, and the lands of the said John Mar on the west parts ; And from the lands called the cuttingis of futties myir, lying between the lands of the said Alexander Cullen on the south, futties myir on the north, the saids lands called the linkis on the east, and the lands of the deceased William Fuddeis on the west parts ; and from the lands of the said deceased Mr. Alexander, lying between the public way, called the Boulget, on the north, the aqueduct descending from futties myir on the south, the lands of the deceased Baron of Barnis on the west, and futties myire on the east ; and from three pieces of lands, called the cuttingis, lying between the foresaid aqueduct on the north, the lands of the brethren of the house of the holy trinity of Aberdeen on the south, the lands of the said William Fuddeis on the east,

and the Sea Flow on the west parts, now pertaining to the said Thomas Quhyit, Mariner, in feufarm ; Also an annual feuduty of thirty three shillings and four pennies, of the foresaid money, from the croft of land, formerly pertaining to the deceased William Kintor, burgess of the said burgh, and now to John Donaldsone burgess of the same, lying near the Gallowgait poirt of the said burgh, called Calsey croft, otherwise the lang riggis, between the Croft of the Chaplainis of the College of Aberdeen on the south, the Croft of the deceased William Edie on the north, the King's common way on the east, and the Cruikit myir at the west ; an annual feu-duty of twenty six shillings and eight pence from the croft of land, now belonging to John Leith of Montgarie, lying near the Crabstane, on the west part of the territory of the Crofts of the said burgh, between the Croft of the deceased Richard Kyntor on the east, the Croft of the deceased Alexander Kyntor on the west, the King's common high way on the south, and the croft of the deceased John Mar on the north parts ; Also an annual feu-duty of twenty eight shillings and eight pence, of the foresaid money, leivable and receivable from the croft of land, formerly of the deceased John Howye, burgess of the said burgh, and now belonging to John Tullidaff, burgess there, lying on the east part of the territory of the Crofts of the said burgh, between the croft of the deceased Alexander Gray on the south, the croft of the deceased Robert Scroggis on the north, the King's common way, on the west, and the Gallow-hillis on the east parts ; extending in whole to the

Amount of
Feu-duties,
£27 8 8 Scots. Sum of twenty seven pounds eight shillings and eight pence ; along with my superiority of the saids lands and crofts ; which

Feu-duties, or annual Rents, with the foresaid Superiority, so far as is lawful by my means, are, at present, mortified and

Purpose of the
Deed stated. granted *ad manum mortuam*, for the reparation and support of the said bridge of Done, *pro tanto* ; So that it shall be lawful to the saids provost, baillies, Councillors, and Citizens, of the said Burgh, and to their Successors, and to their Master of work of the said bridge, for the time, to receive annually and termly, the saids feu-duties and annual rents of the foresaid

Crofts, with their pertinents, and to apply the same to the reparation and support of the said bridge, and to no other uses, as they shall be willing to answer to God, in the last Judgment.

Sum mortified £27 8s. Sd. Scots, per annum, or £2 5 8

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND
TOWN-COUNCIL OF ABERDEEN, OF THE FEU-DUTIES
OF ST. PETER'S ALTAR, AMOUNTING TO 6 PUNDS
SCOTS, FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE CHURCH OF
ST. NICHOLAS.

20th December, 1605.

No minute of this Mortification appears in the Council Register.

The following is an Excerpt from the Church Work accounts for 1607.—“ The charge of the annuell quhilk pertenit sumtym to Sanct Petir alter, payit out of the Inland and foirland, now perteining to James Manett, Dauid Robertsoun, and Johnne Allan, cutler, quhilk payis zeirlie out of the haill land to the uphold of the kirk sex punds monee, beginning at Mertimes terme 1605 :” Or in Sterling money, per annum, £0 10 0

This mortification was collected for many years ; but the Feu-duties, in consequence of the expence of collection, having been ordered to be sold, the sum so obtained was added to the Stocked money at the credit of the charge.

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS JOHNSTOUN, OF 20 PUNDS
SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1606.

THE following Extract is copied from the Hospital accounts for 1606-7.—“Item receaved from Mr. Thomas Jonstoun, mortifiest be him, to the said hospitall, xx. lbs.”

Sum mortified 20 punds Scots, or	-	£1 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM MAR, ELDER, OF 20 LIB
SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1606.

THE following Extract is copied from the Hospitall accounts for 1606-7.—“Item receaved fra the gudman of Cowtoun left in legacie be William Mar, Elder, to the hospitall, xx. lib.”

Sum mortified 20 punds Scots, or	-	£1 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM LOREMER, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF THE SUM OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO
THE “POOR BEDDALS OF ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL”
OF ABERDEEN.

24th September, 1608.

“In presence of the Provest, and Baillies, compeired personallie William Loremer, burges of the said brugh, and volun-

tarlie became acted and obligeidged" . . . " to pay and deliver to the master of Sanct Thomas Hospitall, of this brugh, in name of the poore beddallis thereof, the Soume of ane hundreth merks, money usuall of this realme," . . . " to be laid upon profeit be advyse of the Provest, Baillies, and Counsall, of this burgh for the tyme, for buying of peats and fewall to the beidmen therof."

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER KEMPT, JOHN BISSET,
AND JAMES DONALDSON, BURGESSES OF ABERDEEN,
OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE "BEDDALS OF ST.
THOMAS' HOSPITAL" OF ABERDEEN.

24th September, 1608.

" COMPEIRED Judicialie Alexander Kempt, burges of the said brugh, and became acted and obligeidged" . . . " to pay and delyver to the maister of Sanct Thomas Hospitall of this burgh, in name of the beddalls therof, All and haill the Soume of ane hundreth merkes money of this realme" . . . " to be bestowed, and employed upon profeit, to the weell use and utilitie, of the said beddalls" . . . " which Soume was given and mortified abefor to the said hospitall be thir subsequent

persones, viz. :—be umquhill Johne Bissat feftie merks; be James Donaldsone tuentie merks; and be the said Alexander Kempt himself tuentie pounds."

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY DAVID RUTHERFORD, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF THE SUM OF 200 MERKS SCOTS TO
THE "BEDDALS OF ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL" OF
ABERDEEN.

24th September, 1608.

"COMPEIRED Judiciallie Maister David Rutherford, burges of Aberdeine, and voluntarlie became acted and obleidged," . . . "to pay and delyver to the master of Sanct Thomas Hospitall, of this brugh, in name of the beddals therof, the Soume of ane hundredth pounds, usuall money of this realme," . . . "to be bestowed, and employed upon profeit, at the said terme, to the weell use and utiltie of the saids beddals," . . . "and, farder, the said Maister David promitted faithfullie to the saids Prouest, and baillies, that, when it sall please God to call him out of this world, he sall, in his letter will and legacie, leue to the said hospitall, and beddals therof, the Soume of feftie merkes, money foirsaid, to be mortified to the effect aboue specified, which, in the haill, makes the Soume of tua hundredth merkes, for the which the Prouest and Baillies, conveined this day,

granted and consentit that the said Maister David, and his
 airs, sall have the presentacione of a beidman to the said hos- Mortifier and
 pitall, when the place sall waike, to be admitted be the his heirs to
 Counsall, observing and keeping the injunctiones set doune at have the pre-
 the foundatione of the same." sentation of a
 Beidman.

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or - £11 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT GRAY, BURGESS OF ABER-
 DEEN, OF THE SUM OF 50 MERKS SCOTS TO THE
 "FOOR BEDDALS OF ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL" OF
 ABERDEEN.

24th September, 1608.

"COMPEIRED Judiciallie Williame Gray, Sone and aire to um-
 quhill Robert Gray, burges of the said brugh, and voluntarlie
 of hiso wne consent, became acted and oblidged," . . . "to pay
 and delyver to the master of Sanct Thomas hospitall of this
 brugh, in name of the poore beddalles therof, the Soume of
 festie merkes money of this realme, to be employed upon pro-
 feit, at the said terme, to the weell and utiltie of the saids
 beddallis," . . . "which Soume wes promeist and destinat to
 be mortifeit, to the use of the said hospitall, be the said um-
 quhill Robert Gray, his fathir."

Sum mortified 50 merks Scots, or - £2 15 6 $\frac{1}{2}$

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, COUNCIL,
AND COMMUNITY, OF THE BURGH OF ABERDEEN,
OF THE LANDS OF CAPRASTOUN, TO THE UPHOLD-
ING OF THE BRIDGE OF DEE.

25th September, 1610.

“ WHICH day, the toune being conveined in the tolbooth, for the most pairt warned therto be the hand bell, passand thorow the haill streits therof, wherupon the beirer made faith,” . . . “ but oppositione, or contradictione, as said is, for themselves, and ther Successouris, mortifies and destinats and appropriats, in all tyme cumeing, the saids lands of Caprastoune, with the maills, fermes, profeits, and dueties therof, to the uphaulde, and manteining, of the brig of Dee, in place and sted of the lands of Ardlair; And to be no utherwayes bestowed, employed, nor usit, but, allennarlie, to the use forsaid,” . . . “ and that the saids lands of Caprastoune, in all tyme heirefter, sall be set to the master of the said brige worke, for the tyme, be advyse of the Counsall of this brugh.”

Rent of Lands mortified	80	punds Scots, or in English money	-	-	-	-	£6	13	4
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MORTIFICATION BY DAVID FERGUSON, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 20 PUNDS TO ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL.

20th November, 1611.

THE following Excerpt is made from Vol. xlv. of the Council Register, page 224 :—“ The quhilk day, in presence of the

Bailleis, and counsall, Comperit George Moresoun, burges of the said burgh, executour to umquhill Dauid Fergussoun, burges thairof, his father-in-law, and declarit that the said umquhill Dauid, in his legacie and letter will, had left the Soume of Tuentie pundis money to the Beadmen within Sanct Thomas Hospitall of this burght," . . . "as also the said George gave instantlie of his money to the said maister of hospitall, to the behowe and utilitie of the beddallis thairof, the Soume of Ten merkis, extending in all to the Sowme of Fourtie merkis."

Sum mortified 40 merks Scots, or	-	£2 4 5
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MORTIFICATION BY DR. DUNCAN LIDDEL OF THE LANDS
OF PITMEDDEN TO THE COLLEGES OF NEW AND OLD
ABERDEEN.

12th July, 1612.

"BE ITT KEND TO ALL MEN, BE THIR PRESENT LETTERS, ME, MAISTER DUNCANE LIDDELL, DOCTOR OF MEDICINE," . . . "SEIKING THE GOOD EDUCATIONE OF THE YOUTH, THE AUGMENTATIONE AND REPARATIONE OF THE MISGOVERNED RENT OF THE SAIDIS COLLEDGE, ANE BLESSING TO MY CUNTRIE, AND TO GIVE GOODE EXAMPLE, IN STEIRING UPE OTHERS TO DOE THE LYKE GOODE AND HONOURABLE DESYRE; AND, SEING I HAVE LATELIE CONQUEIST THE LANDS OF PETMEDDEN, AND TEINDS THEREOF, LYAND WITHIN THE PARROCHIN OF DYCE, AND SCHIREF-DOME OF ABIRDEINE, MOST NEIRE TO THE COLLEGES OF ABERDEINE, WITHIN THE QUHILK SCHIRREFDOMES, AND BRUGH THEREOF, MY PARENTS

of goode memorie hade their residence, and my selff was borne, and, ane goode pairt of my lyife, brought upe within the quhilk, also my brother and sister ther bairnes and children presentlie remaine," . . . "Witt yee mee, therefore, to have mortified," . . . "All and haill the toune and lands of Petmedden, with the salmond fisching therof, adjacent thereto, on the water of Done, with the teynd scheawes and pertinents therof, with full comontie and commone pasturage, and libertie to cast peattes and fewall within the mose of Dyce," . . . "upon the speciall provisiones and conditiones under specified, viz:— I will, decerne, and ordaine, that ther sall be perpetuallie sus-

6 Bursars to be tained, with the fermes and dueties of thir lands, sex bursars maintained 6 years—during the last 2 years of which period, they shall teach Mathe- matics. within the saids Colleges sex yeires, four during the tyme they pas ther usuall course of Philosophie, and beis made masters, and tua yeires thereafter, for learneing forder, and exercising themselves, and helping uther schollars, by teaching of Mathe-

matickes, in the same colledge, and that in hope ther will be erected ane seminarie of divinitie and uther faculties in Aberdeine, wherthrow they may be farther learned, and so instructed, that they be profitable to kirk and commoneweell, and not to receive ane title of master in vaine, as wee sie manie at this tyme; the four yeires, while they pas their course, everie ane

1st four years sall receive, for ther sustentatione, fourteine bolles of goode Bursars shall receive 14 bolls, victuall, halfe meill, halfe malt, conforme to the use of the half meal, half lands of PETMEDDEN; the fyft and sext yeires fysteine bolles, malt, &c.

5th & 6th years and a dussone of pultrie, and ane dussone of capones, or the Bursars shall receive 15 bolls, usuall prycce therof; with that conditione that they, the fyft and and 1 dozen of sext yeire, teach Mathematicks in that colledge wher they pas poultry, and 1 dozen of capons, or value ther course, in that forme, as I will sett doun, be consent off principall and regents in the colledges; if anie be not qualified therfor.

If none of the of this intent, and not of my brother and sisters successione, Bursars qualifi- then anie uther farr learned master sall receave this benefite for Mathematice; that same use, during the forsayd tymé, untill ane learnedere or if there be none of his kin, bursar succede; if he be my brother or Sisters successione, then the last 2 years Bursa- and be anie wayes able to teach anie pairt of Mathematickes, ries to be given and profite the schollaris, this benefite sall not be taken from to a "learned master." him; none sall be receaved to be of this burseris in the col-

ledges afoir they be fyfteine yeires old, and hes learned weel Bursars, before
 ther latine and greeke gramer, and uther principall authors
 useuall thereto, and cane make ane congruous epistle, and
 verse, and learned also *quatuor species operationum arithmeticō* ;
 first if anie of my brother and sister Sones, lauchfullie gotten,
 be able for the college they sall be receaved before uthers,
 and without exceptione ; giff more be of my brothers and
 sisters successione, able for the colledges for the tyme, the
 eldest neirest and learnedest sall be first admitted, and the
 uther abyde till the nixt yeire ; Secondly, in default of thir,
 uthers sall be admitted to this benefite, with thir con-
 ditiones :—first that they be honest poore mens Sones, bur-
 gesses of new Abirdeine, who are not able to sustaine ther
 bairnes, at the Colledge ; Secondly that they be past fyfteine
 yeires of aige and be of goode enjyne and inclinatione, and
 learned weill ther latine and greeke tongues ; thirdly, because The best to be
 manie will be desyrous of this benefite, the best sall be pre- preferred after
 fered, efter diligent examinatione and tryell, be making of
 epistles, and, verse, and disputing for the place ; gif it chances
 that manie appeire equall, then the poorest and best inclyned
 sall be preferred, principallie, if he be allied to my brother or
 sister bairnes, or whose antecessoures hes beine longest bur-
 gessis in New Aberdeine, and sustained honorable offices ; Iff
 the pairtie aggrie not, then lotes sall be casten for the place,
 which of them sall have it ; And because such lyke benefits
 contrair to the foundacione, and alsoe to the great disprofite of
 commone-wealth, and schoolles, hes beine much misused, in
 manie yeires, therfore, to avoyde such like inconvenients in this
 small benefite, that it cume not in abuse, or to be turned in
 anie uther uses, or diminisched, my will and desyre is that the
 oversight and directione of this benefite sall not be committed,
 onlie to the Principalles and regents of the tua Colleges, but
 principally to the Prouest, baillies, and Councell, of Aberdeine,
 and ane of my neirest kinsmen, chosen be the rest of my
 friends, chosen heirto, and with them, to the Bishope, prin-
 palles, and regents of the tua Colleges of Aberdeine, as *patroni*,
tutores, *et inspectores*, that nothing be done to the disprofite of
 gents of both Colleges.

If there is equality in learning, the poorest to be preferred; also, Sons of old burgal families, or of Town's office-bearers.

Bursars to be sons of honest men, burgesses of Aberdeen.

Oversight of this Mortification to be principally committed to the Council, to one of his nearest kin, and to the Bishop, Principal, and regents of both Colleges.

bursars and schollares ; and, under the Provest and Baillies and councell of new Aberdeine, the administratione to be given to the thesaurar, or deane of gild, of new Abirdeine, as chamberlaine, as the Provest and Councell thinks expedient" . . . and " if the land be troubled be any uthers, to take the defence on them, the expensis being taken of the fruits of the land, and everie bursars benefite equally ; It sall be laboured

A new Bursar to be appointed every Session. after my deceise, that everie seage in the colledge have ane burser, that yeerlie ane new burser may be receaved, and tua

readie to teach Mathematickes, as is aforsaid ; and untill ther

Balance of Mortification to buy Books to his Library, which he also bequeaths to the College. places be filled, the rest of the fermes of Petmedden sall be employed for buying of good booke, to augment my biblethique, which I will also mortifie to the colleges, yeerlie at what tyme the bursars are to be receaved ; they of my brothers

Council to advertise his kin of the time of competition for Bursaries. and sisters successione sall be adverteised be the PROVEST, BISHOPE, and PRINCIPALLES, to send ther bairnes, if they have anie qualified, for the colledge and schoolles to be receaved as

of befor, without anie exceptione ; uthers sall be presented to the bischope and Principalles of Aberdeine be the Provest and Councell of new Aberdeine, and first tryed be them, and receaved under such condicione, as afoir is set doune ; Moreover, what tyme he that sustaines the chamberlaines office makes his reckoning, the schollaris and bursars, who enjoys this bene-

If Bursars grow immoral, or incompetent, or do not learn, to be removed. fite, in presence of ther masters and Provest yeerlie, sall be censured, and, if anie be fund of evill condicione, as whoorent masters, theefes, brackers of yeards, and such like, or ar not able for the schooles and colledge, and profits not, to be removed from this place, and ane uther put in therin, with that

His own kinsman to receive a year's Bursary, to put him to another profession. conditione, if he be of my brother or sisters lauchfull successione, to receave ane yeires benefite thereafter to put him to ane uther vocatione, if he be not of my kinsmen that yeires duetie

sall be imyloyit for buying some goode ancient booke, to the use of the bursars and masters of the College, and to augment my biblethique, which I will give to this use, estir my deceise, and so no unworthie persone to be sufferit in that place, or have this benefite, but they onlie that are of goode hoope to be learned men, and weell inclyned, or of honest lyfe and incli-

natione ; Moreouer the schollars and bursars, who injoys this
 benefite, shall weare ane grawe habite, as ane blak gowne and Bursars shall
wear a black
 blak bonnet or hatt, and uther cloathes conforme thereto ; so gown and hat.
 long as the tua Colledges of Philosophie continowes, as at this
 present forme, in Aberdein, it shall be in will of the parents of Bursars to be
put to either
 the bursars, be consent of the Bischope, and Provest of new College, at the
 Aberdeine, which colledge they shall be putt to, But principailie discretion of
 wher they are best brought up, in both letters and maneres, the Provost and
 and best teaching and discipline is ; they shall not be buirded Bishop.
 with uther bursars in the auld colledge, if they can be better
 intertwained, for that same payment, utherwayes, yet they shall
 have ther chalmer in the colledge, and diligentlie be attendit on
 and hardlie punisched, if they fault at ther entres in the Col-
 ledge ; they shall promise to be thankfull for this benefite, and,
 efter ther powar, when they are able to doe for themselves, to
 assist uthers, and labour that this benefite be not misused, but
 faithfullie maintained, and employ all ther moyen, if mister be,
 for maintenance of it ; which promise they shall repeate publict-
 lie in the act, when they are made masters, with thanks-giving
 to the KING for granting of this benefite for such ane use, and
 to him who founded it, and ane prayer to God to exitate goode
 PRINCES and subjects for advancement, and intertwainment, of
 learning in schooles, and to the profite of both kirk and com-
 mon-wealthe ; and everie ane of the bursars, efter he hes past Bursars, at the
 yeires sex, *valedicere* with a publicit oratione in the college, end of 6 years,
 giveing thanks to the kinges majestie for his benefite ; Secundly to make a pub-
lic oration, &c.
 to him who advanced, and to the patrones therof, As also to
 his masters for his faithfull institutione, with ane exhortatione
 to others, to advance and mainteine learneing, letters, schooles,
 and colleges, to the use of both kirk and common-weill ; and,
 unto this thanksgiving be made publictlie, the same bursar
 shall want the quarter of the last yeires benefite, and, efter
 the oratione, imediatlie receaved, efter he hes his oratione,
 ane day or tuo ; he shall invite to his oratione the learn-
 ed men in both the tounes, be ane letter affixed on the Learned men
of both towns
to be invited to
 colledge and church doores, and also admonisch and invite the this oration, by
 schollars in the colledges and universitie to make Latine verse, a letter affixed
 to the honour of the kinges majestie, and thankfull remem- to the College
and Church
doors.

brance of him that founded the college, and all that augmentit it, or for the present augmentes and maintaines the samen, exhorting uthers to follow ther example, and doe the samen ; who makes the best latine verse, be judgement of the Colledge,

He who makes and gramer schoolle, and uther learned menes in the tounes, the best Latin sall have ane reward of thrie pounds Scots, *cum corona ex verse, to receive 3 pounds floribus capiti imponenda, in testimonium excellentie pre sodali- Scots, with a bus* ; if manie appeare equal, or anie doubt aryise, he sall have the rewarde and honor, who by the latine verse makes

If equal in Latin, the best Greek scholar to be preferred. the best greeke verse, and latine oratione, in that same argument as asfoir, and this to excitate the schollars in the colledge

not to neglect *studia poeseos et eloquencie* ; but, because it will be long tyme, or the first pas his sex yeires, therfor, in the meanetyme, this *certamen in bonis literis* sall be institute yeirlie, the day of promotione of the masters in the colledge of Aberdeine, and the silver taken of the dueties of PETMEDDEN ; the rest of the dueties of the lands of PITMEDDEN sal be imployed for buying of bookees to augment my bibliothique, which I will give to the college, except some customes to him that

Chamberlain to be paid for his trouble. sustaines the chamerlaines place, and that as the patrone thinkes expedient ; if it chances that, by any inconvenient, or

If Colleges decay, this Mortification to be given to 12 poor men's bairnes of Aberdeen— his own kin to be preferred: evill guydment, both the colledges decayes, which is to be feared, this benefite and uther rents sall be distribute amonges principally of my brother and sister Sones, and successione, that are of good ingyne, to be maintained at the gramer and

To be maintained at Grammar and Song school. song schooll, untill the colledges be restored ; this ordour that I have set dounie sall be perpetuallie observed, without fraude or

guyll, and not to be anie wayes diminisched, farr lese to be turned to anie uther use ; Iff anie preise to dispone this benefite utherwayes, or to diminische it, or to intromett with the landes off PETMEDDEN, or any paire therof, to the hurt of the benefite, or to his proper use, be vertew of this present, it sall not availl, but also he sall be punisched as ane sacrilegious persone, and as a traitour to his Majestie." . . . And if any shall divert these lands from the purposes of the bequest, then, . . . " the haill tounie and lands of PETMEDDEN, with all the

pertinentes, to returne to my aires, with that conditione, that If lands be di-
 they use the fruits and dueties therof for bringing upe of ther vertyed from the
 bairnes in learning and letters, and marieing of ther daughters, purposes of this
 and poor maides as they think expedient ; But, if none of Mortification,
 my kinsmen for the present be to persew the matter, or they then his own
 neglect it, then anie honest man, burges of Aberdeine, sall kin shall be at
 have that same powar to persew the sacrilegious persone, and liberty to sue
 for his rewarde, his successione sall have the use of this for them.
 benefite, and ther sones lauchfullie gotten, as weell and equal with
 my brother and sisters successione for ever. Moreover if anie,
 whoevir he be, abuses this benefite, and intends to turne it in
 ane uther use, or diminisch it, then, be vertew of this present,
 his sones, and successione, for ever, sall be whollie debarred
 therfra."

Or any honest
 Burgess of
 Aberdeen.

Rental of the lands about 500 pounds Scots, £41 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES CARGILL, DOCTOR OF MEDICINE, ABERDEEN, OF 5300 MERKS, TO POOR, HOSPITAL, GRAMMAR SCHOOL, AND POOR SCHOLARS.

13th March, 1616.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest, Baillies, and Councill, of this brugh, Compeired David Cargill, burges of this brugh, executor testamentar nominat and confirmed to umquhill Maister James Cargill, doctor of Medicine, his brother germane, and produced "the just extract of that part of his Brother's last Will" bequeathing the Legacies following :—

"Item I leave to the Sessiones poore of new Aberdeine, to be 300 merks to
 mortified, thrie hundred merkes ; Item to the hospital of new Poor.
 Hospital. 500 merks to

Aberdeine, to be mortified, fyve hundred merkes, whereof the
 anuell Thomas Marr shall absolutlie injoy, during his lyftyme ;
 500 merks to Master of Grammer School, for
 teaching his poor friends. Item to the Maister of the gramer schooll of new Aberdeine,
 to be mortified, fyve hundred merkes, for the anuel whereof
 he shall be oblidged for the schoolage and uther school
 exactiones whatsoever, both in Englisch and Latine schooles,
 with gramer booke, authors, and Englische booke, used in
 the said Schooles, and that for the use of my poore freinds ;
 If none be in the schooles forsaid, but in the College, the
 anuels of the forsaid fyve hundred merkes shall be to ther uses
 in the College ; or, if they be in nather, the anuels shall be
 employed upone the edifice of the gramer schooll of new
 Aberdeine ; if the insolencie of the scholars cannot be repressed
 from dimolisching, let the anuell be given to the poore house-
 holders of new Aberdeine :—Item, for maintenance of four
 4000 merks to poore schoolars, and speciallie of my awne freindis, which
 poor Scholars faillieing to tounes bairnes of new Aberdeine, at the College,
 at either Col-
 lege ; his own wherein learneing shall be thought be the Councell of Aberdein
 kin to be pre-
 ferred in the most to floorisch, four thousand merkes, which, to that effect,
 first place, and,
 next, town's
 bairn's.
 Magistrates
 and his rela-
 tions to have
 the charge.

I leave to be mortified at the expensis of the toun of Aber-
 deine, because, in some measure, the profite redoundes to it ;
 everie one of these four bursars to have the profite of ane thou-
 sand markes yeirlie, for the space of four yeires ; and if they be
 of my kinn, ane years profite more, after the compleiting of
 their course. Of all these mortificationes I constitute the
 Magistrats and Councell of this brugh, togidder with my
 brother, David Cargill, which faillieing, the maill bairnes of
 my brother, and sisters, or my good-brother, to have the care,
 that na dilapidatione, nor away putting, may in anie tyme
 cumeing enschew."

Sum mortified to Poor and Hospital, 800 merks, or £44	8	10 $\frac{2}{3}$
... . . . To Grammar School, (now in- corporated with Dr. Dun's)	500	
merks, or	-	27 15 6 $\frac{2}{3}$
... . . . To Bursars, 4000 merks, or	222	4 5 $\frac{1}{3}$

		£294 8 10 $\frac{2}{3}$

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE MORESONE, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 40 PUNDS SCOTS TO THE HOSPITAL
OF ABERDEEN.

3d July, 1616.

COMPEIRED George Moresone, sone to umquhill George Moreson, burges of Aberdeine, and payit and delyvered the Soume of fourtie poundis Scots money to Johne Tullidaff, present maister of the Hospitall of this burgh, which was left be the said umquhill George in his letter Will and Testament to the said hospitall to be mortified, ane annuell rent, to the behoof of the beidmen therof in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 40 pounds Scots, or	-	£3 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN JOHNSTONE, ONE OF THE
PRINCIPAL MASTERS OF THE NEW COLLEGE OF ST.
ANDREWS, OF THE SUM OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO
A BURSAR IN DIVINITY, IN THE COLLEGES OF
ABERDEEN OR ST. ANDREWS.

20th September, 1616.

“THE said day, anent the supplicatione givin in to the Coun-
cell be Master Johne Sanders, Sistersone to wmquhill Master

Johne Johnestoune, ane of the principall Masters of the New Colledge of Sanct Androis, makand mentione that, whar the said umquhill Master Johne, for the honor and Service of God, left, in his later will and testament, the soume of ane thousand merkes, to be mortified and employed upon anuel rent, for intertwining ane poore schoolar of best qualificatione and hope, to serve in the Church of God, for the space of four

Bursars may go to St. Andrews, or Abroad. yeires, successive and efter another, to be brought upe in theologie, within the College of Aberdeine, or Sanct Androis, abyding in the sinceritie of doctrine and discipline, or if it sall be thought meit, out of the cuntrie, in the most sincere universitie, professing the doctrine of Christ; expreslie provyding,

if it sall happen the said Master Johne Sanders to profite in learneing, and if it sall please God to bestow grace upon him for that holie calling, that he be provyded thereto, for the first four yeires, efter the decease of Issobell boyes, mother to the said umquhill Master Johne, to whom the anuell of the said Soume was left, during her lyftyme; and because the said Issobell boyes is latlie depairett this lyfe, and that the said Johne Sanderis hes beine exercising himself in the ministerie, thir diverse yeeres bygone, and is ane expectant to enter to that holie calling, and hes given sufficient proof of his graces, both in this brugh, and in Murray, as his testimoniall, produced thereupon, dois testifie," . . . Wherfore the Baillies and Council, after considering the latter Will and Testament of the said Mr John Johnstone, and "with advyce and consent of

Maister Archibald Blakeburne, one of the Ministeres of this brugh, Maister Andrew Aidie, principall of the College thereof,

Town Council to be Patrons.

Maister David Wedderburne, maister of the gramer schooll, and Robert Johnstone of Cremond, all personallie present, haveand powar of electione and tryell of the persone, who sall enjoy the benefite of the said mortification," ordained, according to the tenor of the said John Johnstone's latter will, that the said Johne Sanders should be presented thereto, for the space of four years; "and with speciall conditione, if it sall happen the said Mr Johne Sanders, within the said space of four yeirs, to be admitted to the said functione of the minis-

terie, and to be provyded to ane stipend and provisione, for his service in the said functione, in that caice" to have no farther benefite of the said mortification. "And, farder, the said Mr Johne Sanders, according to the said defunct's will, specified in his testament, became acted bund and obleist that, in caice (as God forbidde) he make apostacie in religione, If Bursar be debosche in lyfe, and conversatione, or that he Idillie bestow his tyme in the holie course and studie of theologie, within the said space of four yeires," then he shall not only lose his right to said mortificatione, "But, lykwayes, he sall refund and pay back againe to the Councell of the said brugh of Aberdeine the haill benefite, which he hes receaved before that tyme."

Sum mortified 1000 merks, or - £55 10 10

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES SMITH, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 20 PUNDS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

1st January, 1617.

IN presence of William Lousone baillie, Compeired James Smith, merchand burges of Aberdein, and declaired that, in his last voyage from Londone, he promist, in the tyme of his distres in the Sea, upon the tuantie-nynth day of October, one thousand vi^c and nynteine, ? the soume of tuentie pounds, Scots money, to the hospitall of Aberdeine; And therfor, for fulfilling of his vowe and promise, he instantlie payit and delyvered to Johne Tullidaff, present master of the said hospi-

tall, the said Soume of tuentie pounds to be laid upon bank, and the profite thereof to be furthe command to the use of the beidmen of the said hospitall, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 20	punds Scots, or	-	£1	13	4
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEX. CRUICKSHANK, YOUNGER,
ONE OF THE TOWN-COUNCIL OF ABERDEEN, OF 100
PUNDS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

21st May, 1617.

IN presence of the Provest, Baillies, and Councell, Compeiried personallie Alexander Cruickshank, Younger, ane of the Councell of the said burgh, and declaired that he hadde resolved and promeised to give and mortifie to the hospitall of this brugh the soume of ane hundredth pounds, usuall Scots money, to be employed on annuell rent to the behoove of the beidmen of the said hospitall, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100	punds Scots, or	-	£8	6	8
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MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT RAMSAY, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 50 MERKS SCOTS, TO ST. THOMAS'
HOSPITAL.

2d September, 1618.

Council Regis- THE Quhilk day, In presence of the Prowest, Baillies, and
ter, vol. xlvi. Counsall, Compeirit Robert Ramsay burges of Aberdeine, and
p. 507. voluntarlie payit and delyuerit to Johne Tullidaff, present

Master of St. Thomas Hospital of this burght, the Soume off fyftie merkis Scottis money, to be mortifiet on annuel rent to the behowe of the beadmen thairoff, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 50 merks Scots, or	-	£2 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS JOHNSTOUN, DEAN OF GUILD, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1618.

THE following Extract is taken from the Hospitall accounts, for that year, kept by the said Thomas Johnstoun. "Item with ane zeiris annuall of ane hundredth merkis frielie giwen and mortifiet be the Comptar himself to the Box vi. lib. xiii S. iii. d."

Sum mortified £100 merks Scots, or	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT BURNET, OF 50 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1618.

THE following extract is taken from the Hospital accounts for the year 1618-19; The Comptar charges himself "with ane zeiris annuall of fyiftie merkis, frielie giwen and mortified, be Robert Burnet, is iii. lib. vi. S. viii. d."

Sum mortified 50 merks Scots, or	£2 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM BANNERMAN, IN POLAND,
OF 100 POLISH FLORINS, TO THE HOSPITAL.

18th November, 1618.

THE following extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. xlix., page 35. "The said day, the Prowest Baillies and Counsall ordanis a letter to be direct from thame, with the most convenient occasioun, To Andro Huntar Merchant in Pole, for ressauing and sending hither of the Soume of ane hundreth florenis, polis money, left to the hospitall of this burght be Willeame Banerman, Sone to umquhill Johne Banerman."

There is no specific entry of this Sum in the accounts, and it is therefore perhaps impossible to ascertain the exact value of this mortification.

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER KEMPT, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 20 PUNDS SCOTS, TO ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL.

17th November, 1619.

THE following Excerpt is copied from the Council Register, Vol. xlix., p. 445. "The quhilk day, Christen Jack, relict of umquhill Alexander Kempt, burgess of this burght, payed and laid doun, in presens of the prouest baillies and Counsall, the soume of Tuentie pundis money, left by him to the hospitall

of this burght, and appoyntit be him to be employit upon
proffeitt, for the use of the beadmen of the said hospitall."

Sum mortified, 20 punds Scots, or - £1 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY MR. PETER BLACKBURNE, OF 100
PUNDS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1619.

THE following Extract is copied from the Hospital accounts
for 1619-20. "Item with the Soume of ane hundredth pundis,
left in legace thairto be umquhill Mr Peter Blakburne, son and
air to umquhill Peter, Bischop off Aberdene i^r lib."

Sum mortified 100 punds Scots, or £8 6 8

MORTIFICATION OF 100 PUNDS SCOTS, THE BALANCE ON
THE KIRK SESSION ACCOUNTS, TO THE USE OF THE
POOR.

16th November, 1620.

THE said day, the Provest, Baillies, and Counsall, ordaines the
Soume of ane hundredth pounds, lese or mair, such as shall be
found restand be Thomas Gray, late collector to the Sessione
of the kirke of this brugh, at the fute of his compts, to be
mortified and laid upon bank, to the use of the poore, in all
tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 punds, or - £8 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER RAMSAY, SHIPMASTER,
BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO
THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

30th May, 1621.

Council Regis- "THE said day, in presence of the Prowest, Baillies, and
ter, vol. L., p. 12. Counsall, Compeirit Alexander Ramsay, merchant Burges of
this Burgh, eldest laufull sone to umquhill Alexander Ramsay, Skipper burges therof, and tauld doun, befor thame, the
Soume of ane hundred merks, in redie gold, left be the said
umquhill Alexander Ramsay, his father, to the hospitall of
this burght, to be employit on anuall rent, to the behowe of
the beadmen of the said hospitall, in all tyme comeing."

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY ISOBELL ALSCHENOUR OR TOYSCHE,
OF 350 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE POOR, AND OF 200
MERKS, TO THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

6th June, 1621.

IN the Council Register Vol. I., page 20, there is the following Entry :—"The said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsall, Comperit James Toysche, Merchant Burges of this burght, and declaired that umquhill Issobell Alschenour, his mother, relict of umquhill James Toysche in turreff,"
350 merks to poor. "hes left and mortified, be hir letter will and testament, for the support of the poore indigent peopill within this burght,

the Soume of thrie hundredth and fyftie merkis, usuall Scottis money, to be employit on anuel rent perpetuallie, And lykwayes declairit that the said umquhill Issobell Alschenour left to the hospitall of this burght the Sowme of Twa hundredth ^{200 merks to Hospital.} merks, money forsaid, to be employit and mortifiet for ewir on anuel rent, to the use of the poore beidmen therof, be the prowest baillies and Counsall of this burght, for the tyme."

Sums mortified—

To Poor, 350 merks Scots, or	-	£19 8 10
To Hospital, 200 do., or	-	11 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY DAVID CHALMERLANE, OF 1000
MERKS SCOTS, TO THE MARISCHAL COLLEGE OF
ABERDEEN.

13th June, 1621.

IN the Council Register, Vol. 50, p. 29, there is the following Entry :—" The said day, in presence of the Prouest Baillies and Counsall, Compeirit Thomas Cargill, burges of this burgh, and declairit that umquhill Dauid Chalmerlaine, his brother-in-law, sone lauchfull to Peter Chalmerlaine, chirurgiane to the lait Queen's Majestie, of gude memorie, be his letter Will and Testament, hed left the Sowme of ane thousand merkis, usuall money of Scotland, towards the mantenance of the College of this burgh, to be employit to that use be the prowest baillies and Counsall of this burgh, for the tyme, efter sic forme and maner, as the saidis prowest baillies and Counsall sall think most convenient."

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or £55 10 10
(This Mortification is now incorporated with Patrick
Copland's.)

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS FORBES OF RUBISLAW, BUR-
GESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 PUNDS TO THE HOS-
PITAL, AND 200 PUNDS TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

20th June, 1621.

Council Regis. THE said day, Robert Johnstoune, baillie, in name of the Ex-
ter, vol. 50 p. 38. ecutoris testamentaris to umquhill Thomas Forbes of Rubis-

law, burges of Aberdeen, thair father, payit and delyuerit, in
redie tauld dounre money, in presens of the prouest baillies and
Counsall, the Soume of Thrie hundred pundis, usuall Scottis
money, left be the said umquhill Thomas to be employit per-
petuallie upon bank, be the prouest baillies and Counsall of
this burgh, for the tyme, to the seuerall uses following, viz. :—
Ane hundred pundis thairof to the hospitall of this burgh,
and twa hundred pundis to the commoun poore of the same
burgh, that ar interteanet be weiklie contributioun ; and the
profite to be zeirlie employit wpoun clothes to the said poore,
sa lang as the present ordour for ther interteanement standis ;
And failzieing therof, the said Twa hundred pundis, lyik-
wayis, to belong to the said hospitall.

Sums mortified—

To Hospital, 100 punds Scots, or	-	£8	6	8
To Poor, 200 do. do., or	-	16	13	4
		£25	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY DAVID CARGILL, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS,
TO THE HOSPITAL, AND 100 MERKS TO THE COM-
MON POOR.

26th June, 1622.

THE following Extract is copied from page 323 of Volume 50,
of the Council Register :—“ The quhilk day, in presence of the

prowest baillies and Counsall, Compeirit Thomas Cargill, burges of this burght, air and executor to umquhill Dauid Cargill, his fayer, and payit, . . . in redie money, the Soume of tua hundred merkis, usual Scottis money, left be the said umquhill Dauid in his Letter Will, . . . to be employit on annuel rent, be the prowest baillies and Counsall of this burght, perpetuallie in tyme comeing, to the seuerall uses following, viz. :—Ane hundred merkis thairof to the hospitall of this burght, and ane wther hundred merkis to the coumoun poor of the said burght, that ar interteaned be weiklie contribu-
tion.”

Sums mortified—

To Hospital, 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
To Common Poor, 100 merks, or	-	5 11 1
		£11 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY MARGARET ROLLAND, OF 200 MERKS
SCOTS, TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

3d July, 1622.

EXTRACT from Council Register Vol. 50, p. 331 :—“ The said day, in presence of the prouest baillies and counsall, Compeirit James Settoun of Pitmedden, burges of this burght, and tauld dounie and delyuerit, befoir thame, in redie gold, the Soume of twa hundred merkis, usuall Scottis money, left in legacie be umquhill Margrat Rolland, his Spous, to the commoun puir of this burght, to be employit on anuall rent be the saids prouest

baillies and Counsall," . . . " for the use of the said commoun
puir, sa lang as the present ordour, established for thair inter-
tainement and keiping thame from begging, standis and Induress;
and In cais the said ordour decay and dissolute, in that cais,
the anuall rent of the said Soume to be bestowit zeirlie to
honest decayit houshalteris of the said burght, at the distri-
butioun of the prowest baillies and Counsall of this burght,
for the tyme."

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or £11 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE CURROUR OF FINGASK, OF
300 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITAL.

25th July, 1622.

THE following is an Excerpt from his latter Will which is
dated at Swailend, the twenty-fifth day of July 1622. " Item
I leawe to the hospitall of newe Aberdene Thrie hundrethe
merkis to be payit out of the superplus of the annualrentis in
ordour aboue prescrywit as they ar rankit aboue."

Sum mortified 300 merks Scots, or £16 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS PENDILLBURRIE, MERCHANT,
LONDON, OF A SILVER CUP TO THE BURGH OF
ABERDEEN.

7th August, 1622.

THE following Extract is copied from Vol. 50 of the Council
Register, page 362 :—" The samen day, in presence of the

Prowest Baillies and Counsall, convenit in the Counsal-hous, Compeirit Andro Meldrum, Merchand Burges of this burght, and exhibit and presentit, befoir thame, ane siluer coup, with the crevile all dubill overgilt with gold, haveand the townis armis witht thair motto BONACORD thairwpoun, send and propynit to the Towne be Thomas Pendillburrie, merchand and citizen of Londoun, in token of his lowe and affectioune to this burght, quhairof he is frie gild burges."

From the description here given, this seems to be the same Cup afterwards mortified by the Council to the Church.

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN STEWART, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 PUNDS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITAL.

23d September, 1622.

THE following Minute is recorded at page 396 of the 50th Volume of the Council Register:—"The quhilk day, James Toysche, in name of Thomas Gordoun of Grandoun, ane of the executouris of umquhill Johne Stewart burges of this burght, payit, in presence of the provest baillies and Counsall, the Soume of ane hundred pundis money, left in legacie be the said umquhill Johne Stewart to the hospitall of this burght."

Sum mortified 100 pundis Scots, or	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY CHARLES DUN, DYER IN ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE USE OF THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

20th November, 1622.

"THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Council Regis-Council, Maister Patrik Dune, principall of the Colledge of ter, vol. li. (1,) page 20.

this brugh, delyvered and told doune in readie money, befor them, the Soume of ane hundredth markes, left be wmquhill Charles Dune, litster, his brother, to the hospitall of this burgh, the profite therof, . . . is ordained perpetuallie thereafter, to be given to the use of the said hospitall, and poore beidmen, within the same."

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION OF 100 PUNDS SCOTS, ACCUMULATED
PROFITS ON DR. CARGILL'S MORTIFICATION, TO
THE USE OF THE EDIFICE OF THE GRAMMAR
SCHOOL.

20th November, 1622.

THE said day, the Provest Baillies and Counsall ordaines Robert Alexander, present thesaurar, to receave from William Forbes, late thesaurar, the soume of ane hundredth pounds, restand in his hands of the byrune profits of umquhill DOCTOUR CARGILL his mortificationes; which Soume of ane hundredth pounds is ordained to be eiked to the money mortified be the said DOCTOR CARGILL for the edifice of the gramer schooll.

Sum mortified 100 punds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM LOWSON, BAILLIE OF
ABERDEEN, OF 100 PUNDS TO THE USE OF THE
HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN, AND 100 PUNDS SCOTS,
FOR BEHOOF OF THE POOR.

11th June, 1623.

Council Regis- THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Coun-
ter, vol. li. cell, David Aidy, Master of St. Thomas Hospital of this brugh,
page 50.

granted him to have receaved from Maister Vedast Lowsone, aire and executor to umquhill William Lowsone, late Baillie, and burges of this brugh, the Soume of ane hundredth pounds, Scots money, left in legacie be the said umqu- 100 punds to hill William to the said hospitall. And sicklyke Johnne Coch- Hospital.
rane, Collector to the Sessione of the Church of this brugh, granted him to have receaved from the said Mr Vedast the Soume of ane uther hundred poundes, money foirsaid, left also 100 punds to bee the said umquhill William to the common poore of this Poor. burgh.

Sum mortified to Hospital, 100 punds, or	£8 6 8
do. do. to Poor, do., or	8 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY DAVID WATSON, TAILOR IN ABER-
DEEN, OF 200 MERKS SCOTS, TO PIOUS USES.

2d July, 1623.

“THE following Extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. li. p. 55 :—“The quhilk day, in presens of the Prowest Baillies and Counsall, Compeirit Mr. James Ross, ane of the ordinar ministeris of this burgh, and exhibite and gave in befoir thame ane band, maid be the Lairdis of Leysk, eldar, and zongar, . . . in the soume of Twa hundred merkis money, to be payit . . . to the Thesaurar of this burgh, for the tyme, quhilk soume wes left in legacie be umquhill Dauid Watsone, tailzeour, burges of this burgh, to be employit on profite, be the prowest baillies and Counsall of this burgh, for the tyme, and the annuell thairof to be employit, yearelie, to some Godlie use, as thay sould find most expedient.”

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or	£11 2 2
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MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE NICOLSONE, PROVOST OF
ABERDEEN, OF 600 MERKS SCOTS, FOR BEHOOF OF
THE POOR.

2d July, 1623.

Council Regis- THE said day, George Nicolsone, Provest, schew and de-
ter, vol. li., p. claire to the baillies and Councell, conveined in the Counsall-
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house, that, for the glorie of God, and releiff and helpe of the
poore indigent people within this brugh, who are intartained and
keeped from beggynge be weeklie contributione, and to helpe
and make upe a stocke of money for ther use, to releive and
ease the nightboures of the toun, *Pro tanto*, so farr as the
anuel rent of the principall Soume underwreittin may extend
to, he hes resolved to mortifie and give frielie the Soume of
Sax hundredth merkes, usuall Scots money, to be waired and
employed on anuel rent, be the Provest Baillies and Counsall-
house of this burgh, for the tyme, for the use and behove of
the commone poore of this brugh, perpetuallie, and in all tyme
cumeing. And in caice the present ordour, establisched for the
intertainement and keeping them, from beggynge, decay, in anie
tyme heireftir, In that caice the saids George dedicats and
appoints the said Soume fra then furth, to be laid on anuel
rent, to the behove of the beidmen within the hospitall of this
brugh, as money mortified, and perpetuallie belonging, to them,
and commits the caire of the employing of the said principall
Soume, with the yeirlie distributione of the anuels therof, to
the Provest Baillies and Counsall of this brugh, for the tyme,
whome he appoints perpetuallie to be patrones keepars and
administrators therof for the use aboue specified.

Sum mortified 600 merks Scots, or

£33 6 8

[This, and the following Deed, omitted in the proper place, at their respective dates—viz., 1612 and 1613.]

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS MARR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITALL OF ABERDEEN.

18th November, 1612.

THE said day, anent the sute and offer made to the Prouest Baillies and Counsall be Thomas Marr, burgess of this brugh, bearand, . . . “that at the good pleasour of God, he “being debilitat of bodie, and lamed both of his hands and feet, “and unable to travell, or use anie trade,” . . . “and without the burden of wyfe or bairnes, he is content and willing to mortifie, to the hospitall of this brugh, his haill present moyan, to witt, the Soume of fyve hundred merkes, usuall Scottis money, to be employed upon rent, to the use and behove of the said hospitall,” . . . “and is content to accept ane place in the samen hospitall, to remaine therin, during all the dayes of his lyftyme.” The Provost Baillies and Council, new and old, “fand the offer and sute forsaid to be very profitable;” . . . “And, therfor, they have admitted and received the said Thomas Marr ane of the number of the said hospitall,” and “they ordaine the said Thomas to have ane double portione, both of propirtie and accidentis, togither with the profeit and annuel Rent of his awne fyve hundred merkes, yeirlie, in tyme cumeing, during all the days of his lyftyme.”

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 5

MORTIFICATION BY DR. DUNCAN LIDDEL, OF, inter alia, 6000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS IN MARISCHAL COLLEGE, LIBRARY, POOR, AND POOR SCHOLARS.

9th December, 1613.

BE it Kent to all men, be this present write, Me Master Duncan Liddell, Doctor of Medicine,” . . . “To have already assign’d

and disponed," . . . " for mantainance of Six Bursars in Colledge of New Aberdeen, sua long as the same stands ane Colledge of Philosophie, and faillieing thereof, To the Colledge of Old Aberdeen, and faillieing of them both, to the Grammar Schooll of the burgh of Aberdeen, the Lands of Pittmedden, whilk I conquest from the Laird of Wardes," . . . " whilks Lands of Pitmedden, mortified by me as said is, for the said mortification, I with advice has setted it to George Strachan of Glithnot, for yearly payment of fourscore foure Bolls of Victuall, half meall half malt, with payment of the yearly fewduety owing furth of the saids Lands to his Majesty ; to witt six pounds, beside the teynd silver to the parson, Extending to Eight pounds ; And after my decease, when it shall please God to call me to himself out of this vale of misery, the said six Bursars shall be sustain'd, dureing the space of six years, upon the dueties and farms of the saids Lands of Pitmedden in manner following :—That is to say, dureing the first four years of the said six years, whilk is the useual time they pass masters, and the two last years of the said six years, to exercise and teach the Inferior Sieges in Arithmetick and the first Book of Euclid and sphere, and also in hopes there be erected ane seminary of Divinity and other Faculties in Aberdeen, wherein they may further Learning, and not to receive the name of Master in Vain, as we see many. The first four years, while they pass their course, every one shall receive fourteen bolls victuall, half meall half malt, conform to the use of the saids lands ; the fifth year fourteen bolls victual and tuelve merks money ; the sixth year fourteen bolls victual and Ten pounds money ; And, for better performing of my said vow, and mantainance of letters, I have left assign'd and dispon'd the sum of six thousand Merks, money of this Realm, of the debts and sums of money abovewritten ; whilk sume of six thousand merks I will and ordain that the Counsell of New Aberdeen, and Mr. Thomas Nicolson, he being on life, Employ upon land and other sufficient securities, and the profite and 6000 merks to annuall rent of the said sum of six thousand Merks to be be-
a Professor of Mathematics, stowed be them as follows :—for mantaining ane Learned

Professor of Mathematicks weell versed in Euclide, Ptolemy, well skilled in Copernico, Archimedes, *alijsque Mathematicis*, give possibly he can be hade within this Ccountry, and if such ane man can nott be had, to take the learnedest man that can be gotten; and, if mae be seeking that place then one, lett them all dispute for it, in all pairts of Mathematicks, and he that is best to have the place for that year, and the nixt third or fourth year the worthiest after disputation in Mathematicks to have the said place; The said Professor of Mathematicks shall teach in the third or fourth year *Theorias Planetarum cum calculo cœlestium motuum, Doctrinam Sinuum et Triangulorum, opticam, computum Ecclesiasticum, et Geographiam*, and, by this, shall have diligent care and oversight of the Bursser of Pittmedden, and tuo teaching Bursars, that they diligently teach dureing their last two years of their six years as said is; and, if ane learned man be found, as said is, his stipend to be Four hundred Merks yearly, and if he teaches five or six times in the week to witt, once or twice in every Siege, or in tuo Sieges togither, thrice in that mean time, while one or two of the saids Bursars be made Masters, and able to teach as said is, the said Professor shall have ane Bursars duety, by his ordinary stipend; But, if ane perfect Mathematician cannot be gotten, He of meaner Gifts shall have tuo or three hundred Merks, Be the sight of the Counsell of Aberdeen, and of Mr. Thomas Nicholson if he be on life, and for every Lesson the said Professor omitts to teach, he shall want twenty shillings of his stipend, and as to the superplus of the yearly profit and annuall rent of the said six thousand Merks, by and attour the Professors stipend, the samen shall be bestowed and imployed, be advice forsaid, for mantaining of my Library of Books and Bibliotheck, which I destinate leave and mortifie to the said Colledge of New Aberdeen, so long as it remains ane Colledge, and faillieing therof to the Colledge of Old Aberdeen, To be augmented yearly with new Books of most ancient Mathematicks, Globes, and Instruments, and their haill Books to be weell Kept, and yearly visited, be the Counsell of Aberdeen, the said Mr. Thomas Nicolson and Mr. William Anderson

Euclid, Ptolemy, Co-pernicus, Ar-chimedes, &c.

Course to be taught.

Professor shall have the over-sight of the Bursars.

If a learned man is found for Professor, he shall have 400 merks yearly of salary, he teaching 5 or 6 times a week.

A Professor of meaner gifts to have only 2 or 300 merks yearly of salary.

Professor to be fined 20 S. for every omission of a lesson.

Surplus revenue of 6000 merks to be laid out on his Library, which he also bequeathes to the College; failing which to King's College.

Council to visit Library yearly.

they being on life ; And if they be misused, my nearest Friends shall intromitt therewith, for their Bairns sustentation
 20 merks yearly only to be laid out upon the Library. and Learning ; The yearly augmentation of the said Library
 not to exceed twenty Merks, and the rest of the profite of the said six thousand Merks to be yearly given and destribute,
 upon Munday after Whitsunday, among the Poor as follows,

Surplus to be given to Poor. To witt tuelve Merks to the poor scholars in the Colledge and Grammar schooll of the said burgh, and Eight Merks to the Common poor of the Newton of Aberdeen" . . . " And also the said Professor of Mathematicks with ane command from his Majesty or his Highnes Counsell, to place the Professor above the Regents, and give him ane ordinary houer to teach ;

12 merks to Poor Scholars, in College and Grammar School, and 8 merks, &c. As also the tuo teaching Bursars in the first tuo Sieges, commanding the Scholars, to hear and obey them, otherways my Institution will serve for no purpose," . . . " and with the superplus, good Books, globes, and other Mathematick Instruments shall be coft, or then to be Imployed, be advice forsaid, upon ane learned Physician to teach once in the week *Physiologica Anatomica*," . . . " And because sick Benefices, in sundry Colledges, has been for thir many years bypast greate abused, My Will and desire is that the Inspection of this be not only committed to the Principall and Masters of the Colledges, But to the Counsell of New Aberdeen, the saids Mr.

Surplus of Lands of Pit-medden to be laid out on a Professor of Anatomical Physiology or on Mathematical instruments, &c. Thomas Nicolson, and John Liddell my Brother, and faillieing of the said John, to the nearest kinsman, with the assistance of the Bishop of Aberdeen, for the time, he being ane man addicted to the advancement of Learning and letters,"

Principal and Professors, Council, his nextofkin, and Bishop of Aberdeen, to be Inspectors. and the Bursars and Professor of Mathematicks shall be censured yearly att Lambas be the Patrons forsaids," . . . " And likeways my saids Executors shall erect tuo Monuments, any in the towne of Pitmedden, with this Inscription ; *Anno a Nato Christo 1614 Authoritate Regis ordinisque Regni hujus villam agrosque de Pittmedden sex alumnis Literarum studiosis in Academia Abredonensi dicavit confirmaritque Duncanus Liddelius Medicinæ Doctor* ; Ane other shall be erected within the Kirk of New Aberdeen, as Mr. Thomas Nicholson, and the Counsell of Aberdeen, shall think expedient ; The ex-

Bursars to be censured yearly by the Patrons.

penses taken of the lands of Pitmedden to doe the same ; and to bestow upon my Funeralls, and distribution to the poor, the sum of one hundred pounds money, and this my Letter will disposition and Mortification to be extended in ample and authentick forme, and because thir presents are made upon ane suddentie, keeping the substantial heads thereof, and redacted in authentick form of testament.

For Bursars, *see* other Deed.

Sum mortified to Professor of Mathematics, &c., 6000 merks, to Poor 500 merks ;	£361 2 2
in all 6500 merks Scots, or	-

MORTIFICATION BY PATRICK GRAY, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

10th December, 1623.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Council Regis-
Councell, Compeired Thomas Gray, burges of this brugh, and ter, vol. li. p.
declarit that umquhill Patrik Gray, burges therof, his fathir
left in legacie the Soume of ane hundredth markes money to the
hospitall of this brugh, to be employed on anuel rent be the
Provest Baillies and Counsall of this brugh, to the behove of
the beidmen being in the said hospitall, perpetuallie, in all
tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY DAVID CHALMER, CORDWAINER,
BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF THE SUM OF 100 PUNDS,
TO THE KIRK AND COLLEGE OF NEW ABERDEEN.

2d February, 1625.

THE said umquhill David Chalmer, Cordoner, burges of Aberdeine, be his letter Will and testament, left in legacie to the kirk and college of New Aberdeine the Soume of ane hundredth pounds money, equallie betwixt them; Reseruand the anuel rent therof to Janet Cardno his Spous, during her lyfytyme.

Sum mortified 100 pounds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS REID, LATIN SECRETARY
TO JAMES VI., OF 6000 MERKS SCOTS, TO BE A
FUND FOR PAYING A LIBRARIAN TO KEEP THE
LIBRARY LEFT BY HIM TO THE MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

9th March, 1625.

“THE said day, the Provest Baillies and Counsall haveing consideration that the Soume of Sex thousand merkes money, left be umquhill Maister Thomas Reide, Secretar to his Majestie for the Latine tongue, for mantenance of a bibliotheque, to attend and keep his Librarie of booke, which he left to the Colledge of this brugh, is appoyntit, be his letter Will and Testament, to be employed on anuel rent, and the anuel rent therof to accresce till the samen amount to

such a Soume of money, as may make purchase of Land and heretage, within the brugh, or Schirrefdome of Abirdeine, extending in yeirlie rent to the Soume of Sex hundred merkes ; which legacie of Sex thousand merkis is not yit payit be the executors of the said umquhill Maister Thomas, and whan the samen shall be payit, and employit on bank, to the use aforsaid, it will craive a long traik of tyme befor the same, with the profits, accresse to suche proportione of money as will purchas heretage extending in yeerlie rent to Sex hundred markes ; And withall considdering, of the saids bookees shall lye still in dry waires, during all this interim, not onlie shall the most pairet of them mothe and consume, but lykwayes the clergie of the toune and college shall be defrauded of the use and benefite of the saides bookees, for a long space of tyme, to the great prejudice of both church and commoneweell ; ffor the remeid wherof, . . . “it is thought expedient that the saids haill books and manuscripts shall be transported from the keyheide, out of the sellar wher they are lying, for the present, in hogeheids, to the College of this brugh, and ther set up in the college librarie, be catalogue and inventar.”

Sum mortified 6000 merks Scots, or	£333 6 8
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By minute of the Town Council, of date 11th January, 1626, it appears that the Town had to pay 900 merks to “ Johne Bill his Majestie’s Printer,” to release these Books from an arrestment which he had executed upon them for some money due him by the Mortifier. Council Register, Vol. li. page 229.

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM FORBES, YOUNGER, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF A GREEN TABLE CLOTH TO THE PARISH CHURCH OF ABERDEEN.

11th January, 1626.

WILLIAM FORBES, yonger, late deane of gild of this brugh, Council Register, vol. li., p. 231. gave in and presented to the Provest Baillies and Councell

ane new greine cloathe of nyne elnes of lenth, and sex quarters in breadth, which he frielie and voluntarlie gives and dedicats to the use of the parrochin kirk of this brugh, to serve for ane table cloath to ane of the communione tables, the tyme of the ministracione of the holie sacrament of the Lord's Supper, within the said church, in all tyme cumeing.

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT FERGUSONE, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF A BELL TO THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

11th July, 1626.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsall, Compeired Robert Fergusone, burges of this brugh, and presentit unto them ane bell new stockit, whilk he frielie gives and mortifies, for the use of the grammer schooll of this brugh, in all tyme cumeing; Lykas he promises on his owne chairges to cause bigg a belhouse, of eastler worke, one the said grammer schooll, and to put upe the said bell therin, to serve for the use of the said schooll, in all tyme heirefter.

MORTIFICATION BY PROVOST GEORGE NICHOLSONE, OF
100 PUNDS TO THE USE OF THE HOSPITAL OF
ABERDEEN.

15th November, 1626.

Council Regis- THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Coun-
ter, vol. li., p. cell, David Aidy, master of the Hospitall of this brugh, grants
307. and confesses him to have receaved from Thomas Nicolsone,
Sone and aire to umquhill GEORGE NICOLSONE, late Provest
of the said brugh, the soume of ane hundred punds money,

left in legacie be the saids umquhill George to the said hospitall, and appoynted be him to be laid upone bank for the use of the poore beidmen in the said hospitall, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 pounds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY PATRICK COPLAND, PREACHER TO
THE NAVY AND FLEET OF THE EAST INDIA COMPANY,
OF 6000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE SUPPORT OF
A PROFESSOR OF DIVINITY IN MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

27th January, 1616; 18th July, 1622; & 1st February, 1627.

“BE it kend to all men whome it effeires, by these presents, me Maister Patrick Coupland, preacher to the navie and Fleet of the Right Worshipfull the East India Company, within the realme of England, fforsameikle as I being a borne citizen of the brugh of Aberdein, within the kingdome of Scotland, and being brought (up) from my chylde hoode in ther grammer schooll, and college, untill I past my course in Philosophie, I acknowlege myselff heirby bound and oblidged to benefite ther commonewealth, and to advance ther Schooles and colleges, so farr as lies in my possibilite; And understanding that the greatest want now in ther colledge, is a reader of Divinitie; heirfor, . . . “ witt yee me to have frielie given, ” . . . “ to the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said brugh of Aberdeine, and to ther Successoures, Provest Baillies and Councell therof, in all tyme cumeing, the Soume of tua thousand 2000 merks markes, usuall money of Scotland, for the use of the said College in manner, and upon the conditions, underwreittin, and no utherwayes, viz:—I ordaine the said soume of tua thousand markes to be waired and laid on, by the saides Provest Baillies and Councell, on land, or anuel rent, wher they may find best Imploymet, and the yeerlie anuel rent therof to be given by them towards the mantenance of a learned Divine

Professor must and linguist, skillfull in the hebrew and greeke tongues, who be skilled in Hebrew and Greek, and shall reside in Aberdeen. shall reside and duell in the said College, or, at leist, in the said toun of Aberdeine, being alwayes chosen and placed by the advyse of the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said

Council to be Patrons. Brugh, for the tyme," . . . " with this alwayes provisione and

conditione, that if, at anie tyme heirefter, the earle Marischall, or his aires, (who are fundatours and patrones of the said Colledge, and have the presentatione of the principall and wholl masters therof, at ther dispositione) shall impute or place a

Secluding expressly Earl Marischal's Heirs from being Patrons. reader of Divinitie within the said College, without the advyce and consent of the Provest Baillies and councell of the said brugh, for the tyme, In that caice, I ordaine that the said

divine, who shall be impute without their consent, shall have no benefite of this my mortificatione, but that the saides Provest Baillies and Councell shall have full and absolute powar to bestowe and distribute the anuel rent of the said tua thousand markes to the use of the hospitall of the said brugh, and the

If Professor be nominated without their consent, the Council to apply the Mortification to Burseries. poore that shall be therin, or else to the use and helpe of four poore schoollars of the said colledge, as the Provest Baillies and Councell, for the tyme, shall see most expedient, and that ay and whill a theologie be placed in the said college with ther consent."

18th July, 1622 :—Of this date the said Patrick Copland designing himself " Sone to umquhill Johne Coopland burges of Aberdeine," in a deed of Mortification, drawn up in terms precisely similar to the foregoing, mortifies other two thousand merks to the same purpose.

Other 2000 merks added. And of date, 1st February, 1627, he increased his mortification by other two thousand merks, making, in all, the Sum of Six thousand merks, which he mortified for the support of a Divinity Professor in Marischall College.

Sum mortified, 6000 merks, or	-	£333 6 8
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A third sum of 2000 merks mortified.

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM DUNCAN, ELDER, BURGESS
 OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 PUNDS TO THE POOR OF
 ABERDEEN, AND 100 PUNDS TO A MINISTER AT
 FOOTDEE.

23d January, 1628.

THE following Extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. li. p. 420 :—“ The said day, in presence of Paul Menzies of Kinmundie, Provest of Aberdeen, Compeired William Duncan, elder, Burges of the said brugh, and declaired that, for the glorie of God, and for the helpe and comfort of the poore, he hes resolved to mortifie the Soume of tua hundredth pounds, usuall Scots money, to the seuerall uses following, viz :—the Soume of ane hundredth pounds, for the use of the poore people within the said brugh ther entertainement, and (to be) kepted from begging, be weeklie allowance assigned to everie ane of them, out of the commone contributions granted be the neighbours of this Brugh, to that effect ; and the soume of ane hundredth pounds money for the use of ane minister or reider, to be placed at the church of futtie, for the instructing and catechiseing the inhabitants therof in the christian faith and religione, presentlie profest within this kingdome.” And he appoints “ the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said Brugh to be patrones, keepars, and administrators therof, and the anuel rent of the same to be equally distributed yeirly” by them.

Sums mortified—

To poor, 100 pounds Scots, or	-	£8 6 8
To Church of Footdee, (now added to Provost Jaffray's) 100 pounds	-	8 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER ANDERSON, ELDER,
BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, TO THE HOSPITAL OF
ABERDEEN.

23d January, 1628.

THE said day Alexander Andersone, elder, burges of Aberdeine, gave thrie wanscot for the worke of the hospital.

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT SKENE, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX.

17th September, 1628.

Council Regis- THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councell, ter, vol. li., p. 447. Compeired Robert Skeine, Merchand burges of this brugh, and gave in and delyvered, of readie money, to Maister Robert Farquhar, deane of gild, the Soume of ane hundred merks, usuall Scots money, to be employed upon anuel rent, be the Provest Baillies and Councell, for the benefite and use of poor decayed gild brethren of this burgh, ther wyffes, and bairnes, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or £5 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY A "NEIGHBOUR OF THE BURGH," OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO A TEACHER IN THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

17th September, 1628.

"THE said day, the Provest Baillies and Counsall being conveened in the Counsall house, Paull Menzeis, the Provest, exhib-

ited and delyvered reallie befor them, in readie doune tould money, on the councell table, the Soume offyve hundred merkes, usuall money of this realme ; Which Soume ane nighbour of this brugh (who obscures his name), out of his zeall to the Godlie and vertuous educatione of the youth, in the gramer schooll of this brugh, hes frielie givin and mortified, to be employed upon bank, be the Provest Baillies and Councell ;" and " the anuel rent to be bestowed, yeirlie, in all tyme cuming, to the doctor of the gramer schooll of this brugh, as ane helpe to his provisione, provyding that the said doctor be chosin and placed be the Provest Baillies and Councell of this brugh, for the tyme."

Sum mortified 500 merkes, or - £27 15 6

[This Mortification is now incorporated with Dr. Dun's.]

MORTIFICATION BY CHARLES ROBERTSON, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 40 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE HOS-
PITAL OF ABERDEEN.

15th November, 1628.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsell, Compeired Bessie ray, relict of umquhill William Dune, burges of Aberdeine, and payed and told doune, in readie money, befor them, the Soume of fourtie merkes money, left in legacie to the hospitall of this brugh be umquhill CHARLES ROBERTSONE, merchand burges off Aberdeine, hir Sone-in-law.

Sum mortified 40 merks Scots, or - £2 4 5

MORTIFICATION BY PAULL INGLIS, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF TWO SILVER CUPS TO ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH.

1st April, 1629.

Council Regis- "THE said day, in presence of the provest Baillies and Coun-
ter, vol. li., p. 477. cell, Compeired Paull Inglis, merchand burges of Aberdeine,
and gave in and presented to them tuo Siluer coupes, of tuantie ane unces weaht, whilk he frielie gives and dedicats to
Sanct Nicolas parrisch kirk of the brugh, for serving at the
Lord's Table the tyme of the holie communione," . . . and
"they caused grave the said PAULL INGLIS his name ther-
upone, in memorie that he was the giver therof."

MORTIFICATION BY HERCULES DUN, BURGESS OF DANTZICK, OF 50 GULDERS, POLISH MONEY, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1629.

THE following Extract is taken from the Hospital accounts for 1629-30 :—" Item zit ressauit, be the Comptar, fra Thomas Forbes, Writtar, in name of Thomas Cargill, late Maister of hospitall, quhilk he ressauit, the zeir of his office, fourtie Sex pundis fyve Schillingis four pennies for the valour of fyiftie pollis gudleris, mortifiet and send be hercules Dwn, burges of Danisken, to the said hospitall."

Sum mortified 46 pundis 5s. 4d. Scots, or

£3 17 1

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN GALLOWAY, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 100 SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1629.

THE only authority for this mortification is a Wooden Tablet in the Town House, of which the following is a Copy. "John Galloway, Merchand Burgess of Aberdeen, mortified an hundredth, . . . Scots money, to the Gild Bretheren's Hospital."

MORTIFICATION BY MRS. BARBARA FERGUSON OR MORE-SONE, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE USE OF THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

19th August, 1629.

THE following Extract is copied from Vol. liv. of the Council Register, page 30 :—"The said day, Compeirit, in presens of the Counsell, Georg Morresoun of Kirkhill, burges of Aberdein, executour confirmit to the deceast Georg Morresoun, somtyme provest of the said burghe, his father brother, and did declair to the Counsell that the deceast Barbra Fergusoun, relict of the deceast Georg Morresoun, burges of Aberdein, be hir later will and Testament, of the dait the nyntent day of August, 1629 zeiris, left in legacie to the commone poore of new Aberdeine, the Soume of fyve hundred merks, Scotts money." Upon which Sum her husband had paid interest annually, for the purpose mentioned in her will, and which now his said Executor, on his death, paid into the hands of the master of Hospital, to be applied to the said purpose for ever.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or £27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT SMITH, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO DECAYED BRETHREN OF GUILD.

2d September, 1629.

Council Regis- THE said day, in presence of the provest Baillies and Counsall, ter, vol. li. Compeired Robert Smith, merchand burges of the said brugh, page 497. and, . . . delivered, in readie money, to George Riccard, deane of gild, the Soume of ane hundredth marks, Scots money, to be wairied and employed on anuel rent be the provest baillies and Councell, for the benefite and use of poore decayed gild brethren of this brugh, ther wyffes, and bairnes, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY SIR ALEXANDER IRVING OF DRUM, OF 400 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL, AND OF 600 MERKS SCOTS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF DRUM'S AISLE.

9th May, 1630.

THE following is an Excerpt from the last will of the said Sir Alexander Irving:—"And forder, for the love I carie to the said toune of Aberdeine, which hath beine long entertained amongst our progenitors, but change or brake, I leave to the new hospitall of Aberdeine four hundredth markes, Scots money, to be employed on land or anuel rent; . . . which anuel rent I appoynt to be payit to and who shall be presented be my said aire therto, being alwayes ane gild brother in Aberdeine, and no uther. fforder, I leave to the towne of Aberdeine, provest baillies and Counsall therof, Sex hundredth merks, Scots

money, to be keepeed used bestowed or employed be them, at ther pleasour, for maintaining and uphaulding of the abou de-signed yle of ther kirk, callit the Laird of Drum's yle, I and my successors having such pairet and portion therof for our burials, as the said towne sall think most fitting and expedient, at ther awne will and pleasour."

Sums mortified—

To G. B. Hospital, 400 merks, or	-	£22	4	5
To Drum's aisle, 600 do. or	-	33	6	8
		£55	11	1

MORTIFICATION BY GILBERT FRASER, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF A BRAZEN HEARSE TO GREYFRIARS CHURCH.

9th May, 1630.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councill of this brugh of Aberdeen, Compeired Paul Inglis, burgess of the said brugh and, . . . presented unto them, in name and behalff of Gilbert Fraser, burgess of the said brugh, resident for the present at Edinburgh, ane brazen hearse sent be the said Gilbert, and dedicat be him for the use of the Gray frier church of Aberdeine, and unto the tyme the said kirk be repaired for the exercise of divyne worshipe, of preaching, and prayers, the said Gilbert appointed the said hearse to be employed in the parrisch kirk of St. Nicolas.

MORTIFICATION BY DAVID ANDERSON OF FINACH, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 300 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1st December, 1630.

THE quhilk day, in presens of the Provost Baillies and Counsell, Compeired personallie Mathew Andersone, Sone to umquhill David Andersoun, burges of Aberdeine, and gave in the Soume of Thrie hundred marks, Scots money, left be his said father in legacie, to be imployit on profite, for the use and benefite of the decayed Gild Brethren of the Tounes Hospitall.

Sum mortified 300 merks Scots, or -	£16 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GRAY, ELDER, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

15th June, 1631.

“THE said day, in presence of the Prouest Baillies and Counsell, Compeired personallie WILLIAM GRAY, elder, burges of Aberdein, and gaue in unto them the Soume of ane thousand markes, Scots money, to be employed on profite and anuel rent, in all tyme cumeing, for the use and benefite of the tounes commone poore, who are supported be the kirk Sessione of the said brugh; . . . with conditione, alwaies, that the said William Gray sall be frie of taxatione to the poore, in tyme cumeing.”. And the said Provost Baillies and Council “aggrieved

Name of Gray that any poore persones of the name of GRAY or CRUIKSCHANK or Cruickshank to be preferred. be preferit to uthers being founde worthie be the magistrats and Sessione.”

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or -	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY DR. PATRICK DUNE, PRINCIPAL OF
 MARISCHIAL COLLEGE, OF THE LANDS OF FERRY-
 HILL, FOR MAINTAINING FOUR MASTERS TO THE
 GRAMMAR SCHOOL OF ABERDEEN.

3d August, 1631.

“ BE it kend till all men, be thir present letters, ME MAISTER PATRICK DUNE, doctor of medicine, and principall of the new Colledge of Aberdeine, forsameikle as I, considering of my selff that grammer schooles are the seminaries of all kynd of Sciences and learning, sould be planted in all christiane commone wealthes, and competent meanes provydit for maintenance of maisters of the saids schooles, to the intent that, with the greater allacritie and cheirfulnes, they may attend ther charge, and be the more painfull and vigilant, in training up the youth, committed to ther educatione, in vertue and goode letters, I, therefore, out of my zeall to God’s Glorie, and to the floorisching of learning, and for the love I carie to the brugh of Aberdeine, wherof I am a borne citizen, made latlie conqueist to my selff, in lyfrent, and efter my decease, to be employed and mortified, *ad pios usus*, all and haill To maintain 4 the toune and lands of ferriehill, with the milne, milne masters. lands, multers, and sequels therof, and with the haill ailhouss, and Smiddie crofts, houssis, biggings, yards, lyand within the parrochin of Sanct Machar, and schirrefdome of Aberdeine, contigue adjacent to the burrow roods of the said brugh, witt ye me to, have frielie given granted destinat and perpetuallie mortified, to the prouest Baillies Councell, and communite, therof, in all tyme cumeing, for maintenance of the said four masters of ther grammer school, All and haill the forsaids tounes and lands,

. . . to be holden of our Soveraine Lord the King's Majesty ; . . . which lands wer holden of old, of the prior and Convent of the trinitie friers of Aberdeine, in few ferme, for yeerlie payment of the soume of tuentie pouuds, usuall Scots money, to the Minister of the said friers, or to whatsumever persone, or personnes, having right thereto ; and suchlyke payand yeerlie, for the teynd scheaves of the saids lands, to the principall, of the king's College of old Aberdeine, the Soume of feftie merkes, money forsaid ; Reseruand to me my lyf rent of the saids lands ; " . . . and " I ordayne the yeerlie duetie of the saids lands, to be laid upon bank, ay and whill the same grow and accresce to such ane Soume of money, as may buy and conqueise so meikle lands, weel holden and commodiouslie lying, as will rander and pay Sex hundred merks, Scots money, of yeerlie frie rent, making, in all, with the present rent of the saids lands, and milne of ferrihill, the Soume of tuelve hundred merkes yeerlie ; which haill full rent of tuelff hundred merks Scots money I ordaine to be employed upon the maintenance and entertainement of four masters of the grammer Schooll of the said brugh of Aberdeine,

First Master to teach the high class and to have the inspection of the other Masters with a stipend of 600 merks. The remaining 3 Masters to have the other half equally between them. Masters to take no higher fees than a merk Scots per quarter from each scholar, unless he be the son of a nobleman.

the first and principall maister wherof I ordaine to teach the high Clase of the said Schooll, and to have the inspectione and oversight of the rest of the masters, and to have, of yeerlie stipend, the Soume of Sex hundred merkes money, of the rent of the saids lands ; and everie one of the remanent thrie masters to have, yeerlie, tua hundred merkes money, with this conditione, that it sall not be lauchfull to anie of the saids four masters to take any more Schollarie or Stipend, from anie Schollar within the said School, except thretteine schillingis four pennies, Scots money, at the most, each quarter of yeire, unles he be the Sone of a MARQUEIS, EARLE, VISCOUNT, LORD or BARRON, from whome the maisters sall have libertie to tak such stipend, for instructione of ther bairnes, as the noblemen or barrones sall bee pleased to bestow upon them ; And that each master sall take the said Stipend from the schollaris of his awne clase, allenarlie ; SECOND whatsom-
evir schollar, comeing to the said gramer schooll, and bringing

with him ane testimoniall, subscryved be honest and famous men, declairing his povertie, or the povertie of his parents, sall be teached *gratis*; THRIDLIE all those, that are of the surname of Dune, of whatsumever rank or conditione they be, sall be lykwaies teached *gratis*; and if it sall be tryed that any of the saids four masters receave, directlie or indirectlie, any money, or anie uther benefite whatsumever, from anie poore schollar, or yit from anie of the surname of Dune, the master contraveining, efter due tryell therof, Immediatlie sall be deprived, *ipso facto*, of his place, in the said schooll, and ane uther admitted and placed therin; And so also sall the wholl Sons of tenants
tennents sones of the saids lands of ferriehill, and haill re-
longing to this
manent lands to be conqueist, for the use forsaid, be teached Mortification
gratis; perpetuallie, in all tyme cumeing; And for the better gratis.
performance and conservatione of this my mortificatione, I declaire that, during all the dayes of my lyftyme, I my selff sall be onlie and absolute patron, of the saids four masters, and each one of them, as ther places sall happen to vaise; and, efter my deceise, I nominat appoyn特 and ordaine Council and
the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said brugh of Aber-
deine, for the tyme, with Maister ROBERT, CHARLES, and certaine of his
PATRIK, DUNNES, my brother sones, and ther aires male, of
perfyte aige, they being knowne to be honest and conscientious
men, and not given to railling, to be patrones and conservato-
res, *in perpetuum*, of this my mortificatione, and presenters of
the saids four masters, and everie ane of them, as ther places
happens to vaise, and to sie the haill poynts of this present
mortificatione preceislie performed and executed, as it is heere
set doune; and the yeerlie rents of the forsaids lands, teinds,
and uthers, abou wreitten, to be bestowed and employed, as
foir designed, and to no uther use, *sub pena anathematis*; and,
forder, I ordayne the first and principall master of the said Head Master
schooll to cume, yeirlie, at Michaelmis, to the saids Provest shall ask the
baillies and Councell of Aberdeine, for the tyme, and desyre Council to ap-
them to nominat and appoyn特 visatours, for visitatione of the
said schooll, once at least everie month, for that yeere, and
to appoyn特 the saids visatours to take just notice and tryell of
point Visitors
every year.

the Lawes of the said Schooll be observed, both in doctrine and discipline, and if the wholl conditiones of this my mortificatione be also keepeed be the saids masters, and wherin the saids visatours finds any break or violatione, that they mak

Visitors to report.

Head Master shall remind the Council once every month, under pain of 10 merks of fine, and any honest citizen shall have liberty to challenge his neglect.

Careless or immoral Masters to be deprived.

Examinators of Candidates appointed.

Candidates of surname of Dun, or sons of tenants of lands belonging to this Mortification, to be preferred without trial.

faithful report, accordinglie, to the saids provest baillies and Councell; Lykas I appoynt the said principall master to come, once each moneth, and put the magistrats and Councell in mynd, to direct ther visatours to make visitatione of the said schooll, to the effect forsayd, wherin, if the said principall master sall be found deficient, in not desyring of the said monethlie visitatione, I ordayne him, for each monethis defect in this duetie, *toties quoties*, to tyne and amitt ten markes money of his stipend; declairing, heirby, that it sall be lauchfull to anie honest man, within the toun of Aberdeine, to challenge the said principall master of this neglect, befor the Provest and baillies of the said brugh, for the tyme; and he being culpable and defective therin, I ordayne the challenger to have the said ten markes, for his paynes, so oft as the said principall master sall be found deficient; And, in lyke manner, if anie of the saids four masters sall deboard or debusch in lyfe, and conversatione, or to be tryed, any tyme, absent cairles and defective, in ther duetie," . . . " I ordayne, *ipso facto*, that the master, fund deboarding in lyfe, sall be deprived of his office, be the provest Baillies and Councell, And, as for the tryell of the qualificatione of the saids four masters, I committ the same, in all tyme cumeing, to tuo of the ministeres of the brugh of Aberdeine, whome the councell, for the time, sall be pleased to nominat for that effect, and to the principall, and four regents, within the new colledge of the said brugh, who being solemnlie sworne, in presence of the Councell, sall testifie the presented ane, or mae, to be worthie and sufficientlie learned and qual-

fied for such ane place; But, if anie of my owne surname, or anie of the Sones of the tennents of fferriehill, or the Sones of anie other tennents of lands, that sall happen to be conquest and mortified, to the use forsayd, be found qualified for such a place in the said grammer schooll, when the same sall vaise,

let them be preferred, without anie contestatione ; And, fail-
leing of them that thay be not suittars, for that plase, I ordayne
ane programe to be affixit, on ane Sonday, on the most patent
doore, for the tyme, of SANCT NICOLAS parisch church of Aber-
deine, and intimatione made, both south and north, within
thrie monethes, to present themselves, who are desyrous of
such a place, and, efter tryell taken of these who sall present
themselves, let them aither be admitted, or rejected, according
to thair sufficiencie, or unsufficiencie ; And immediatlie befor
ther admissione, ane oath sall be exacted of them to doe what
lyes in ther powar for the weill of the college marischall, within
the brugh of Aberdeine, and to preferr the same to all the col-
ledges, in giving councell to ther schoollaris to be brought up
in the forsaide College Marishall. Lykas I declare, . . . this
my will, and Mortificatione to stand unalterable, inviolable
and unchangable, in all tyme heirefter."

Sum mortified 600 merks Scots, yearly, or £33 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GRAY, ELDER, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE
GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN, AND
OF 500 MERKS TO A MINISTER AT FOOTDEE.

16th November, 1631.

"THE said day, William Gray, elder, burges of this brugh,
sone to umquhile Maister Johne Gray, Compeirand, in pres-
ence of the Prouest Baillies and Councell, delyvered reallie, in
ready and doune told money, on the councell table, the Soume
of ane thousand markes, usuall Scots money, which the said
William frielie gives and mortifies for the use of the brethren
of gild's hospitall of this brugh," . . . " for mantenance of the

beidmen of the said hospitall, in all tyme cumeing, Thay being
alwayes decayed Gild Brethren of the said Brugh, and, in

Names of Gray
and Cruick-
shank to be
preferred.
500 merks to
Minister of
Footdee, (now
incorporated
with Provost
Jaffray's.)

speciall, of the surname of Gray, and Cruikschank, who sall
be founde of goode lyife and conversatione, be the councell of
this brugh, and worthie to be admitted in the said Hospitall."

" And, in lyke maner, the said Williame Gray told doun and
delyvered, in readie money forsaid, the Soume of fyve hun-
dreth markes, which he destinats and mortifies, perpetuallie, in
all tyme cumeing, to be laid upon bank be the magistrats and
councell of the said brugh, for the tyme, and the anuel rent
therof to be bestowed for a supplie to the ministers Stipend,
who sall serve at the cuire of the Church of Futtie, within the
friedome of this brugh, in all tyme heirefter."

Sums mortified—

To Gild Brethren's Hospital	1000 merks, or	£55 11 1
To Church of Futtie (now incorporated with Provost Jaffray's,) 500 merks, or		27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY A BURGESS OF GUILD OF ABERDEEN,
OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
HOSPITAL, AND 50 MERKS TO DECAYED BURGESSES.

14th December, 1631.

" THE said day, Mr. Alexander Jaffray, baillie, in presence of
the Councell, declaired that a nighbour gild burges of the
toun, who obscures his name, hes given and mortified the
Soume of ane hundred markes, Scots money, to be employed
on profite, in all tyme cuming, for the use of the beddals of
the Gild Brethers' Hospitall; Togidder with the Soume of
fiftie markes, money forsaid, for the benefite and behove of
decayed gild bretheren of the said burgh, ther widdowes, and
children, who are supported be the gild box."

Sum mortified 150 merks Scots, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT FERGUSON, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 50 PUNDS TO DECAYED BURGESSES.

18th January, 1632.

THE said day, Compeired Robert Fergusone, merchand burges of Aberdein, and delyvered, in presence of the Councell, to George Moresone, Deane of gild, the Soume of fiftie pounds, Scotische money, to be employed on anuel rent, in all tyme cumeing, to the behove of the decayed gild bretheren of the said brugh.

Sum mortified 50 pounds, or	£4 3 4
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MORTIFICATION BY DR. WILLIAM JOHNESTONE, PRO-
FESSOR OF MATHEMATICS IN MARISCHAL COLLEGE,
OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

30th May, 1632.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councell, Compeired personallie Mr. William Johnstone, Doctor in phisick, and professor of Mathematicks, within the College of this brugh, . . . and delyvered unto them the Soume of ane thousand markes Scotis money ; Which Soume the said Maister William mortified to be employed on anuel rent, in all tyme cumeing, be the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said brugh, to the behoove of the commone poore of the samen brugh, who are supported be the kirk Session therof.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER JAFFRAY, SENIOR, AND
ALEXANDER JAFFRAY, JUNIOR, BOTH BAILLIES OF
ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A MINISTER
AT THE CHURCH OF FOOTDEE.

19th September, 1632.

“THE said day, in presence of the Prouest Baillies and Councell, Compeired Maister Alexander Jaffray, ane of the Baillies of this Brugh, eldest Sone and aire to umquhill Alexander Jaffray, late bailly, and burgess of the samen brugh, and declaired that albeit his said umquhile father, be his letter will and Testament, left the Soume of fyve hundredth punds money for the use of the commone poore of this brugh; Yet it is of trueth that, some two or thrie dayes efter the making of the said testament, at the desyre of doctor Barrone and Mr. James Rose, tuo of the ministers of the said brugh, The said umquhile Alexander Jaffray gave full and absolute powar to the said Mr. Alexander his Sone to alter the nature of the said legacie, and to bestow the said fyve hundredth pounds for help and supplie of ane Stipend, to ane minister at the kirk of futtie, as being a more necessarie work then the other, Be reasone that the commone poore wer provydit in a competent measure alreadie, be the provident caire of the Councell and Sessione of this brugh, and the said kirk of futtie hade no stipend at all, but such as was to be procured be the voluntar contributione of the nighboures of this brugh; And the said Mr. Alexander being most willing, not onlie to obtemper,” . . . “the will and directione of his said umquhile father, concerning the said legacie, But also to further the worke and plantatione of the said kirk of futtie, he therfor gave instantly his band to the saids Prouest Baillies and Councell for payment to the thesaurar of this brugh,” . . . “of the soume of ane thousand merkes usuall Scots money,” . . . “and therby hes not onlie fulfilled the said legacie, but hes eiked and given

therunto, of his owne moneyes, tua hundredth and fifty merkes," which Sum the said Alexander Jaffray Junior, conform to the desire of his said Father, "mortifies to be employed on land, or anuel rent, be the Provest Baillies and Councell of this brugh, and the anuel rent therof to be given," . . . "for the supplie of ane stipend to the minister, to be chosen be the coun-
 cell of the samen brugh, for serving the cuire at the said kirk nister.
 of futtie; with this conditione, that the said minister instruct
 the poore ignorant people inhabitants in the said toune of
 futtie in the true religione, presentlie professed and establisched
 in this kingdome, alseweel be weiklie catechising, as publict
 preaching; As lykwaies, that he assist the ministers of this
 brugh in the laudable exercise of weiklie catechising, latelie in-
 stitute and establisched within the samen; wherunto the
 Provest Baillies and Councell promitts for them, and ther
 Successors, to hold hand that the said Godlie and religiouse Weekly cate-
 exercise of weiklie catechising be inviolable kepted within chising to be
 this brugh, in all tyme cummeing; Lykas upon that con- inviolably ob-
 sideratione the said Mr. Alexander hes mortified the said
 Soume, for the use of the kirk of futtie, and no otherwayes."

Sum mortified 1000 merks, or	-	-	£55	11	1
William Duncan's of 100 ponds, and William					
Gray's of 500 merks,	-	-	36	2	2
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THE following Extract is copied from the 1st page of the lii. Volume of the Council Register :—

"Followis ane not of the moneys frielie given, and mortifieit, be voluntar contributioun of the nichbouris, and comburgessis, of the burge of Aberdeine, efter named, in the yeares of God 1631, and 1632 yeares, and appointit to be laid upoun bank, for mantenance of ane of the ministeris of the said burge who is, and sall, heireftir, be appointit be the prouest Baillies and Counsall thairof, for the tyme, to serve the cure at the kirk of futtie, within the fre-

dome of the same burghe, and parochine of Sanct Nicholas ; whilk is ordanit to be registrat *ad futuram rei memoriam.*

			Scots money.
			Punds
Mr. Alexander Jaffray, baillie,	-	-	666 13 4
“ Archibald Beanes, Litster	-	-	420 0 0
“ George Johnstoune, baillie	-	-	333 6 8
“ William Gray, eldar	-	-	333 6 8
“ Gilbert Mengzes of Petfoddellis	-	-	200 0 0
Doctor William Forbes	-	-	205 0 0
Mr. Robert Farquhar	-	-	133 6 8
“ Dauid Watsoun, Tailzeour	-	-	133 6 8
“ Vedast Lousoun, baillie	-	-	100 0 0
Doctor Patrick Dwn	-	-	100 0 0
Mr. Paull Inglis	-	-	100 0 0
“ George Rickart	-	-	100 0 0
“ William Guild, Minister	-	-	100 0 0
“ Williame Duncan, eldar, at his deceas	-	-	100 0 0
“ Robert Fergusone	-	-	80 0 0
“ George Jamesone	-	-	70 0 0
“ Andro Birnye	-	-	66 13 4
“ Alexander Ramsay	-	-	66 13 4
“ Robert Petrie	-	-	66 13 4
“ Robert Skeyne, Merchand	-	-	66 13 4
Mrs. Marion Beanes, relict of George Pacok	-	-	66 13 4
Mr. George Pacock his sone	-	-	66 13 4
“ Gilbert Hervie eldar	-	-	66 13 4
“ Patrick Jack yonger	-	-	66 13 4
“ James Ross, Minister	-	-	66 13 4
“ Alexander Ross, Minister	-	-	66 13 4
“ Thomas Nicolsone	-	-	66 13 4
“ William Dauidsone	-	-	66 13 4
“ Johne Udneye of Balhelvyes	-	-	66 13 4
“ Robert Smith	-	-	66 13 4
“ Alexander Dauidsone	-	-	66 13 4
“ Patrick Leslie, Baillie	-	-	66 13 4

					Scots money.
					Punds
Mr. William Forbes, eldar	-	-	-	66	13 4
" Gilbert Andersone, eldar	-	-	-	66	13 4
" Williame Ogstoune, Minister	-	-	-	66	13 4
" Johne Rait	-	-	-	66	13 4
" George Moresoun	-	-	-	58	0 0
" Walter Cochrane	-	-	-	33	6 8
" Patrik Fergusone	-	-	-	33	6 8
" Williame Moir	-	-	-	33	6 8
" Johne Moir	-	-	-	33	6 8
" George Innes	-	-	-	33	6 8
" Dauid Meluill	-	-	"	33	6 8
" James Smithe	-	-	-	20	0 0
" Johne Duncan	-	-	-	20	0 0
" Williame Toux	-	-	-	20	0 0
" Matho Robertsonsone	-	-	-	14	0 0
" Thomas Burnettis	-	-	"	13	6 8
" George Wilsone	-	-	-	6	13 4
" Williame Burrie, Skynner	-	-	-	2	18 0
" Alexander Forbes	-	-	-	16	13 4
" George Dauidsone, elder	-	-	-	333	6 8
Summa is	-	-	-	5213	4 8
Mr. Patrik Jak, eldar, yearlie during his lyf-					
tyme	-	-	-	6	13 4
Mr. Alexander Donaldson, eldar,		do.		3	6 8
Sum really available for a Fund	-			£411	5 0

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND
TOWN COUNCIL, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE
TRADES' HOSPITAL.

19th September, 1632.

THE following Extract is made from the Council Register,
Vol. lii., p. 73 :—"The said day, anent the supplicatioun given

to the Prouest Baillies and Counsall, be Thomas Gairdyn, tailzeor, deacone conveinar of the haill craftis of this burge, for himself, and in name and behalff of the remanent Deacones, and brethren of the saidis craftis, Mackand mentioun that they had causit build and repair the trinitie freris plaice of this burgh, quhilk Mr. Williame Guild, ane of the tounes ordinar ministeris, had laitlie conqueist and mortifiest to be ane hospitall for decayit craftsmen, within the samen ; Upoun the bigging wheroft, thay had bestowit the best pairt of the moneyis, quhilk thay had to the foir, in thair commoun boxes, sua that thair stok and rent for the present wil be bot verye meane, and seing that poore decayit craftsmen hes no plaice in the gild brethrens hospitall, and the nichtbouris of the craftis ar most willing to contribute to the wark, according to thair power, whairbe thair brethren may be suppliet and the toune and Sessioun easit of a burdeine ; Thairfoir thay humblie Desyrit thair Wisedomes of the Counsall to put to thair helping hand to the furtherance of the wark ; and, in regard that thay ar memberis of this commounwealth, to grant unto thame thair cheretabill help and support thairunto, for the quhilk they sould indevore to approve thame Selfis thankfull, and both redie and forward in any thing concerning the gude and weill of the towne, according to thair power, as in the said supplicatioun at lenth wes conteinit. Quhairanent the saids Provest Baillies and Counsall, advyising and considdering the necessitie and gudness of the wark, thay give and grant, . . . to the Deacones, and Maisteris of the Craftis of this brugh, the compositioun of

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Guild for five
years.

ane gild burgess, sic as they sall present to the Counsall, (except the gild wyne siluer) whilk wil be tua hundredth merks zeirlie, and ilk zeir, for the spaice of fyve zeirs, nixt aftir the dait heirof, to be employit on profite and maid furthecummand be thame, in all tyme comeing, to the behowe of the decayit craftsmen, wha sal happen to be admittit in the said hospitall, as bedalls thairof ; with conditioun allwayis that the deacones, maisteris, and friemen, of the saidis craftis, and thair successors, carie and behave thame selfis dewtifullie, in all thingis,

Trades shall
behave duti-
fully to the
Council.

to the Counsall, whiche sall tend to the commoun weill and

benefite of the toune, and bear burdeine thairin with the gild brethren thairof, according to thair powar." On the 13th September, 1639, the master of the Trades' Hospital acknowledged the full receipt of this sum, so mortified, per the hands of the Dean of Guild, and discharged the Town Council accordingly. (Council Register, Vol. lii. p. 1690.)

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS MELDRUM OF AUCHINEIVE,
OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
HOSPITAL.

14th October, 1632.

THE following Excerpt is taken from page 83 of the lii. Volume of the Council Register :— " The said day, in presence of the Prouest Baillies and Counsall of the burghe, Compeirit Johne Meldrum of Auchineive and declairit that umquhill Thomas Meldrum, Merchant, his uncle, left and assignit, at his last going out of Scotland, the Soume of fyve hundred merkis, wsuall Scottis money, to the Gild brethrene's hospitall of the said burghe of Aberdeine, to be employit on profite, for help of the poore beddallis within the same."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or	£27 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM BANNERMANN, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF A HOUSE AND GROUND IN THE
GALLOWGATE TO THE HOSPITAL.

6th February, 1633.

" THE saman day, anent the supplicatioun given in to the pro- Council Regis-
ter, vol. lii.,
uest baillies and Counsall be Williame Bannerman, burges of part 1st, p. 91.

this burgh, mackand mentioun that, within this short tyme," . . . "he is altogether wnhabill to interteane himselff, far les to exerce his wonted tred of merchandice, for wynning of his leiveing, as in tymes past," . . . "Quhairanent the saidis prouest, Baillies and Counsall, advysing," . . . "and, considdering that the said William Banerman hes laitlie mortifiet to the towne his inland and zaird, lyand on the wast syd of the Gallowget, quihilk is onlie burdenit with the Soume of four hundredreth punds restand on the wodset thairef," . . . "Thairfoir they haue admittit and resaived the said Williame Banerman ane of the beddallis of the said hospitall."—No separate statement of the Revenue, accruing from this bequest, is to be found in the Guild Brethren's Hospital accounts. But, by minute of Town Council, dated 18th June, 1633, it appears that the Bond, above-mentioned, was paid up by the master of Hospital, and the property redeemed from Alexander Pantoun, the holder of the mortgage, (Council Register, Vol. li. p. 1755). On the 6th of April, 1636, the Council taking into consideration the ruinous state of the house, ordered it to be sold for 800 punds Scots, (Council Register, Vol. lii. p. 255).

The value of this mortification, therefore,
will be 400 Punds Scots, or

£33 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY DR. WILLIAM GUILD, OF A HOUSE
IN BROAD STREET, FOR AN ENTRANCE TO THE
MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

11th March, 1633.

"OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris vel audituris, magister Gulielmus Guild, Minister verbi Dei, in ecclesia Burgi de Aberdene, . . . Salutem; noueritis me, naturali Inductum amore,

quem habeo et foueo erga urbem Abredonie, in qua natus, et ab incunabulis, educatus fui, presertim, vero, ut edes, per Senatum populumque Abredonensem, Collegio nouo dicti burgi donate, ampliorem et magis idoneum introitum, necnon pulchrius et magis conspicuum, habeant frontispicium, quod prius per terram, siue domum anteriorem, subtus designatam, vetustate collapsam, obscuratum et obstructum fuit, . . . dedisse . . . preposito, Balliuis, Consulibus, et communitati, dicti burgi de Aberdene, et horum successoribus, in perpetuum, . . . Totam et integrum, illam terram, siue domum meam anteriorem; et deinde non solum Introitum ad dictum collegium ampliari, verum etiam frontispicium, ad decorum et ornatum eiusdem Collegii, meis sumptibus, edificari feci; Quequidem terra anterior jacet infra dictum burgum de Aberdene in via lata vici furcarum, ex orientali parte eiusdem vici, inter terram quondam Joannis Barbour ex australi, terram heredum quondam Henrici Patrie ex Boreali, Templum aliquando fratum minorum dicti burgi versus oriens, et communem viam regiam versus occidens. Tenendam . . . in libero burgagio."

The following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed.

To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Mr. William Guild, Minister of the word of God, in the Church of the Burgh of Aberdeen, . . . Greeting; Know ye that I, induced by the natural affection, which I have and cherish towards the City of Aberdeen, in which I was born, and educated from my Cradle, But, chiefly, in order that the Edifice, given by the Senate and people of Aberdeen to the new College of the said Burgh, may have a larger and more suitable entrance, as also, a more beautiful and conspicuous frontispiece, which was formerly obscured and obstructed by the front land or house, under described, which is now ruined by antiquity, . . . have given . . . to the Provost Baillies Councillors and Community of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, and to their successors, . . . for

ever, all and whole that front land or house, belonging to me ; and, farther, not only have I caused the Entrance to the said College to be enlarged, but also have caused the frontispiece to be built, at my own expense, to the embellishment and ornament of the said College ; Which foreland lies within the said Burgh of Aberdeen, in the Broadgate of the Gallowgate, on the East side of the same street, between the land of the deceased John Barbour on the south, the land of the heirs of the deceased Henrie Patrie on the north, the Church sometime of the minor Friars of the said Burgh towards the east, and the King's commonway towards the west ; To be holden . . . in free burgage.

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE THOMAS GRAY, OF TWO
RIGS OF LAND FOR THE SUPPORT OF A MINISTER
AT FOOTDEE.

20th May, 1633.

OMNIBUS hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Magister Thomas Gray, Balliuus, ac burgensis burgi de Aberdene ; . . . Salutem ; Noueritis me, in honorem Dei omnipotentis, et pro propagatione Christiane Religionis, in dicto burgo, territorio et libertate eiusdem, dedisse . . . preposito Balliuis consulibus et communitati dicti Burgi de Aberdene, eorumque successoribus, . . . ad usum et commodum, et pro supplemento prouisionis, unius pastorum dicti Burgi de Aberdene, quem Senatus, populusque, Abredonensis ad curam ministerii in

capella, siue ecclesia suburbana, de furtie intra libertatem et parochiam dicti burgi, perpetuis temporibus futuris, successiue designabunt et delegabunt, Totas et integras illas duas Terre practicatas meas . . . jacen. contigue et collateraliter in territorio de furtie, infra libertatem dicti burgi de Aberdene, inter Croftam olim cappellanie Sancti Clementis, nunc vero per Andream Meldrum proprietarium eiusdem dicto burgo, ad usum suprascriptum, donatam et mortificatam, ex australi ex una, Croftam olim fratrum predicatorum dicti burgi ex boreali, partibus, ab altera, Torrentem Sancte Trinitatis versus occidens, et communes arenas dicti burgi, ly linkis nuncupatas, versus oriens. Tenendas . . . in libero burgagio Imperpetuum.

THE following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed :—“ To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Mr. Thomas Gray, Baillie, and burgess, of the Burgh of Aberdeen, . . . greeting ; Know ye that I, in honour of Almighty God, and for the propagation of the Christian Religion in the said burgh, territory, and liberty of the same, have given . . . to the Provost Baillies Councillors and Community of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, and their successors, . . . for the use and benefit, and for a supplement to the provision, perpetually in time to come, of one pastor of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, whom the Senate, and people, of Aberdeen, shall successively point out and choose to the cure of the Ministry in the Chapel, or suburban Church, of Futtie, within the liberty and parish of the said Burgh, all and whole those two Rigs of land belonging to me, . . . lying adjacent, and side by side, in the territory of Futtie, within the liberty of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, between the Croft, formerly of the Chaplainry of St. Clement, but now given and mortified to the said burgh for the use above written by Andrew Meldrum proprietor of the same, on the south, on the one side, the Croft formerly of the preaching Friars of the said Burgh on the north parts, on the other side, the Burn of the Holy Trinity towards the west, and the common sands of the

said Burgh, called the links, towards the East. To be holden . . . 'in free burgage for ever.'

The Rental of the Glebe, made up of this and other donations, inserted afterwards, amounted in 1644, to

£3 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY ANDREW MELDRUM, OF TWO RIGS
OR CROFTS IN FUTTIE FOR THE SUPPORT OF A
MINISTER AT FOOTDEE.

20th May, 1633.

Omnibus hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, Andreas Meldrum, burgensis de Aberdene, . . . et Besseta Kay, mea sponsa, . . . Salutem; Noueritis nos . . . dedisse . . . Preposito Balliuis Consulibus et communitati dicti burgi, et eorum successoribus, . . . ad usum et commodum, et pro supplemento prouisionis, unius pastorum dicti burgi de Aberdene, quem Senatus, populusque, Abredonensis, ad curam ministerii in capella, siue ecclesia suburbana, de futtie, intra libertatem et parrochiam dicti burgi, perpetuis temporibus futuris, successiue designabunt et delegabunt, Totam et integrum illam croftam, siue practicatam nostram terre, vocatam Sancti Clementis croft, Jacen. in territorio croftarum de futtie, infra libertatem dicti burgi de Aberdene, inter aliam terre practicatam, subtus designatam, ex australi, croftam quondam Thome Piatt, nunc vero Magistri Thome Gray, ex boreali, communes arenas dicti burgi versus oriens, et Cimiterium ecclesie Sancti Clementis versus occidens; Ac etiam aliam practicatam terre nostram, Jacen. in eodem territorio de futtie, inter croftam quondam Joannis Lammington . . . ex australi, predictam croftam, vocatam Sancti Clementis croft, ex Boreali, communes arenas versus oriens, et fluxum maris versus occidens. Tenend. . . . in libero burgagio imperpetuum."

THE following is a Translation of the foregoing Deed :—“ To all who shall see or hear this Charter, Andrew Meldrum burgess of Aberdeen, and Bessy Kay, my spouse, . . . Greeting ; Know ye that we . . . have given . . . to the provost Baillies Councillors and Community of the said Burgh, and their Successors, . . . for the use and benefit, and for a supplement, perpetually in time to come, to the provision for one of the pastors of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, whom the Senate, and people, of Aberdeen shall successively point out and choose, to the cure of the Ministry in the Chapel, or Suburban Church of Futtie, within the liberty and parish of the said Burgh, all and whole that Croft or rig of land, belonging to us, called St. Clement’s Croft, lying in the territory of the Crofts of Futtie, within the liberty of the said Burgh of Aberdeen between another rig of land, bounded as under, on the south, the Croft of the deceased Thomas Piatt, now, however, of Mr. Thomas Gray, on the north, the common links of the said burgh towards the east, and the Burying Ground of the Church of St. Clement towards the west ; and also another rig of land belonging to us, lying in the same territory of Futtie, between the Croft of the deceased John Lammington, . . . on the south, the foresaid Croft, called St. Clement’s Croft, on the north, the Common links towards the East, and the flow of the Sea towards the west. To be holden . . . in free burgage for ever.”

For value, *see* Mortification by Thomas Gray.

MORTIFICATION BY MARION DOUGLAS, LADY OF DRUM,
OF 3000 MERKS SCOTS, TO POOR WIDOWS AND
VIRGINS.

26th May, 1633.

“ BE it kend till all men” . . . “ Me Marione Douglas, relict of umquhill the right honourable Alexander Iruing of Drum, my

husband, for the honor of God, and out of my zeall and charitie to the helpe of poore widowes, and virgines, within the brugh off Aberdeine, of the qualitie efter specified, and in token of my love and thankfulness to the said toune of Aberdeine, for ther true freindschipe caried to my said umquhill husband, in his lyftyme, and for the honor they did to him at his buriell, To have frielie given mortified and destinat" . . . " to the Provest Baillies Counsall and Communite of the said brugh of Aberdeine" . . . " the Soume of thrie thousand markes usuall money of Scotland," . . . "to be waired and employed on land, or anuel rent," . . . "and the yeirlie anuel rent therof, such as the same sall render and affoord, for the tym, to be given and bestowed be the Provest Baillies and Counsall of the said brugh towards the helpe and mantenance of poore widowes, and aiged virgines, within the said brugh of Aberdeine, of the qualitie efter specified, viz:—to widowes

To Widows of that have beine the wyffes of burgesses of Aberdeine, and who Burgesses of have leived, both in ther widowheide, and in the tyme of ther Guild of good life and con- marriage and cohabitatione with ther husbands, of good lyfe versation; and aged virgins and conversatione, frie of anie publict scandle, or offence, and "born bairnes" to aiged virgines, who are borne bairnes in Aberdeine, and of Aberdeen, free of public who have leived in the state of virginitie, and continues to that scandal.

If found scan- dalous, to be deprived.

Council to be Patrons.

state, to ther lyves ende, frie of publict scandle, as said is, and if anie of the saids widowes or virgines proves scandalous, efter they are admitted to the said benefite, to be deprived therof, upon just notice and tryell takin of ther scandalous cariadge, be the provest Baillies and Counsall of the said brugh; Lykas I give and grant to the said provest Baillies and Counsall," . . . " the full and absolute right and patronage, presentatione, and admissione of the saids widowes, and virgines," . . . " and, farder, it is my expres will and appoyntment, that the anuel rent of the said principall Soume sall be sequestrat be the saids provest baillies and councell, for some few yeires, till the annuells therof may either bigg, or buy, ane commodious hous, in the said toune of Aberdeine, to the saids widowes or virgines."

Sum mortified 3000 merks, or

£166 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES ROLLAND, BURGESS OF
DANTZIC, OF TWO RIGS OF LAND IN FUTTIE, FOR
THE SUPPORT OF A MINISTER AT FUTTIE.

18th June, 1633.

“ BE it kend to all men, whom it effairs, . . . Me James Rolland, burges of Dantzick, . . . for the naturall lowe and affection I carie to the Brughe of Aberdeine, . . . quhilk is the toune of my nativitie and education, and out of my zeall to the floreshing of religione within the said Toune, . . . To have given . . . To the Provest Baillies Cōunsell and Communitie of the said Brughe of Aberdeine, and to their Successors, . . . to be applyed and bestowed be them towards the helpe and mantinance of ane of the ministers of the said Brughe, serveing the cuire at the kirk of futtie, within the freedome and libertie of the said brughe, . . . all and haill my tuo riggs of land, . . . lyand contigue togither in the territorie of ffuttie, within the freedom of the said Brugh of Aberdein, Betuixt the lands of umquhill Thomas Lammingtoune . . . at the south, The lands of umquhill John Kintor . . . at the north, The floode marke at the west, and the lands of the communitie of Aberdeine, callit the linkis, at the east . . . To be holdin . . . in frie burgage.”

For value, *see* mortification by Thomas Gray.

MORTIFICATION BY DR. - ALEXANDER REID, OF BOOKS
AND MANUSCRIPTS TO THE COLLEGE, AND OF £110
TO BURSARS THERE.

8th March, 1632, and 4th October, 1633.

“ COMPEIRED Robert Skeine, merchand, and produced, in presence of the Councell, ane missive letter direct to the

provest and baillies, be Mr. Alexander Reid, Doctor of Physick, which the said Robert hade receaved from him, at his late being in Londone; of the which missive the tenor follows:—"To the right worschipfull" . . . "the Provest and Baillies of the Towne of Aberdeine delyver this; I cannot but acknowledge myself much behoden unto yow," . . . "I ever wished the floorischeing estate of your towne, and that deservedlie, because in it I laid the foundation of learning, and it hath beine the nurse of sundrie eminent persones. In my will I have bequeathed unto your college those bookees, elseweell manuscripts as printed, quich I have reserved for my owne studies, amonges which ther are sundrie treatises, elsequher hardlie to be found, I have left also an hundred pounds sterling towards the mantenance of the poore schoolaris." By a subsequent Deed, dated 4th October 1633, the said Dr. Alexander Reid granted £110 Sterling, instead of the foresaid £100, "towards the mantenance of two or thrie poor schollars, as yow in your wisdome sall think fitt. I doubt not but that our poore kindred sall tast of the fruit of this gift, befor others, if they sall be presented unto yow."

Council to be
Patrons.

His own kin
to be preferred.

Sum mortified,	£110 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY ANDREW BURNET, SENIOR, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF 200 PUNDS TO THE BEDDALS
OF THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL, AND TO
DECAYED GUILD BRETHREN.

14th December, 1631, and 18th December, 1633.

"THE said day, Maister Alexander Jaffray baillie declaired, in presence of the Prouest Baillies and Councell, that Andro Burnet, elder, burges of Aberdein, hes mortified the Soume of

fiftie markes, Scottis money, to be employed on profite, in all tyme heirefter, for the use of the beddals of the Gild bretheren's Hospitall, Togidder with the Soume of ane hundredth merkes, money forsaid, for the benefite and behove of decayit gild brethren of the said burgh, ther widowes, and children, who are supported be the gild box," . . . " and suchlyke, the said Maister Alexander Jaffray declaired that, upon the 14th December, 1631, he then receaved fra the said Andro (who desyres his name to be obscured) fiftie merkes for the use of the saids beddels, and ane hundredth marks for the behove and benefite of the saids beddels, and ane hundredth marks for the behove and benefite of the saids decayed gild brethren, thair wyffes, and bairnes," . . . " wherunto the former Soumes this day delyvered being conjoyned makes out ane hundredth pounds money forsaid, to each ane of the seuerall uses before specified."

Sum mortified 200 pounds, or	-	£16 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY PATRICK FORBES, WRITER, OF 100
MERKS SCOTS, TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

26th March, 1634.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest baillies and Councill, Compeired Thomas Forbes, Wreitter, burgess of Aberdeen, and gave in and delyvered to Gilbert Hervie, collector to the church Sessione of the said brugh, the Soume of ane hundredth markes, Scottis money, left in legacie be umquhill Patrik Forbes, his brother, to the commone poore of the same brugh, with fyfsteine merkes for thrie termes bygaine anuel of the said Soume, to be employed on profite and eiked to the stoke of the saids poor moneyes.

Sum mortified 100 merks, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE THOMAS GRAY, OF A
BRAZEN HEARSE TO THE CHURCH OF ABERDEEN.

19th November, 1634.

THE said day, Master Thomas Gray, baillie, gave in ane great brazen hearse for decoratione of the church of this brught, which was ordayne to be hung up in the south yle of the new church, for serving of the kirkes use, in all tyme cumeing.

MORTIFICATION BY GILBERT GORDON, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 200 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

19th November, 1634.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councill, Compeired George Gordone, Merchand, burges of this brught, and delyvered to George Meinzies, master of the gild brethren's hospitall therof, the Soume of tua hundred markes, Scottis money, left and bequeathed be umquhill Gilbert Gordone, his father, and to be employed on anuel rent, to the behove of the beddals within the samen, in tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or -	£11	2	2
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MORTIFICATION BY JEAN GOOLD (GUILD), OR ANDERSON, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO POOR WIDOWS AND VIRGINS.

24th December, 1634.

“ BE it kend till all men, be thir present letters, Me Jeane Goold, relict of umquhile David Andersone of finzeauch, burges

of Aberdeine, to the honor of Almighty God, To have
 frielie given and mortified to the provest Baillies Councell and
 Communite of the said brugh of Aberdeine, and to ther
 Successors, in all tyme cumeing, for the use under-
 wreittin, the Soume of fyve hundred merkes, usuall money
 of Scotland, to be bestowed and employed upone
 anuel rent wher most convenient employment can be hade be
 advyse of the Provest Baillies and Councell of the said brugh,
 for the tyme, and the yeirlie anuel rent therof, I or-
 dayne to be given and bestowed, be the master of the morti-
 fied moneyes of the said brugh, for the tyme, to Bessie Leask,
 and Beatrix Mollysone, and after both ther
 deceiss, I appoyn特 and ordayne the anuel rent of the said fyve
 hundred markes to be given and bestowed, from then furth,
 towards the helpe and maintenance of poore vidowes and vir-
 gines, within the said brugh of Aberdeine, of the qualitie after
 specified, viz:—to widowes that hes beine the wyiffes of bur-
 gesses of Aberdeine, merchands, or craftsmen, livand, both in
 the tyme of ther widowheide, and in the tyme of ther mariage
 and cohabitatione with ther husbandes, of good lyfe and con-
 versatione, frie of anie publict Scandell or offence, and to aiged vir-
 gines, who are borne bairnes in Aberdeine, and who have
 lived in the state of virginitie, and continowes in that estate,
 to ther lyves end, frie of publict Scandell, as said is; and if
 anie of the saids widowes or virgines, that sall happen to be
 admitted, sall prove scandalous, after ther admissione therunto,
 I ordayne them to be simpliciter dischraiged therof, upon just If they prove
 tryall and notice taken of ther scandalous carriage, be the discharged.
 Provest Baillies and Councell of the said brugh, whome I
 appoyn特 to be judges for trying of the said Scandell or mis-
 carriage, Lykas, be thir presents, I give and grant,
 to the saids provest baillies and Councell of the said
 brugh, perpetuallie in all tyme cumeing, that full and absolute
 right of patronage, presentatione, and admissione, of the saids Council to be
 widowes and virgines, who sall enjoy the benefite of this small
 myte, in all tyme cumeing, which myte I appoyn特 to
 be eiked and conjoyned to the Soume of thrie thousand merkes To be added to
 Lady Drum's.

To Widows of
 Burgesses,
 Merchants, or
 Tradesmen of
 good life and
 conversation;
 and to aged vir-
 gins, "borne
 bairnes" of
 Aberdeen, free
 dal.

If they prove
 immoral, to be
 discharged.

Council to be
 Patrons.

To be added to
 Lady Drum's.

money, mortified by the right honorable Marione Douglas, ladie drum, for the use aboue specified, and to remaine perpetuallie mortified for that use, in all aiges to come."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or	£27 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY JAMES TROOPE, BURGESS OF EDINBURGH, OF 700 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

3d June, 1635.

"THE said day, Master Robert Farquhar, Baillie, gave in and delyvered, in Councell, to George Meinzies, master of the Gild Brethren's hospitall of this brugh, the Soume of Sevin hundredth markes Scots money, given and mortified therunto be James Troope, burges in Edinburgh, . . . the forsaid Soume to be employed for the use of the beddals of the said hospitall, in all tyme therafter."

Sum mortified 700 merks Scots, or -	£38 17 9
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MORTIFICATION BY ISSOBELL COUTS, OF 200 MERKS SCOTS, TO A MINISTER AT FUTTIE, AND 300 MERKS TO HER POOR FRIENDS.

17th February, 1636.

"THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councell, Compeired Patrick Dovie burges of this brugh, executor

to umquhill Isobell Coutis, his mother Sister, and gave in and produced a band on fyve hundred merkes be umquhill Alexander Fraser of Techmuirie, and William Seatone of Schithin, his cautioner, to the said umquhill Isobell Coutis, which, be hir latter will and Testament, she lies left to the severall uses following, viz :—tua hundred merks therof to the church of 200 merks to a Minister at Footdee, (now incorporated with Provost Jaffray's). futtie, for helping to susteine the minister therat, and thrie hundred merkes to be delyvered to the Collector of the church Sessione of this brugh, to be laid on profite for helping of the neirest poore freindis, belonging to the said Issobell, be advyse 300 merks to her poor friends. of the said Patrik Dovie. Lykas, the said Patrik Dovie declared that the annuel rent of the saids fyve hundred markes belongs to the toune, for the seuerall uses aboue specified . . . in all tyme cumeing.”

Sums mortified—

To Minister at Futtie	200 merks Scots, or	£11 2 2
To Poor Friends of mortifier	300 do. or	16 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY PATRICK MENGZIES, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 200 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

17th September, 1636.

THE following Extract is made from page 286 of the lii. Volume of the Council Register :—“The Quhilk day, anent the supplicatioun gewin in to the prouest Baillies and Councill, be Patrik Mengzeis, burges of this burgh, Mackand mentioun that whair thair being tua vacant roumes, presentlie within the Gild brethrein's hospitall, be deceas of umquhill Willeam Banerman, and James Spence, sometyme beddallis thairin, and the said Patrik being a poor decayed Gild Brother,

past the aige of Thrie Scoir and eight zeires, who sometyme wes a merchant tredder, and bure burden in Taxatiounes, watching, and warding, according to his estate," . . . " and now he humblie supplicattis the saidis prouest baillies and Councell, that thay wald be pleased to admitt him to ane of the saidis vacant rowmes, That he may spend the few remanent of his dayes, as ane of thair poore beadmen, in praying to God for thair wisdomes, and the gude toun," . . . " Quhair-with the saidis prouest baillies and Councell being advysed, and in consideratioun that he hes presentlie assignet to the said hospitall the soume of Tua hundred merkis money, restand to him be Alex. Duff burges of this burgh," . . . " and the maillis and dueties of his auld houssis, besyd the hospitall, during his lyftyme, Thairfoir they hawe admittit and receawed the said Patrik Mengzeis ane of the beddallis of the said Hospitall."

Mortifier admitted to the Hospital, for which he gives 200 merks, and the Rents for his life of his Old Houses.

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or - £11 2 2

No sum was ever received in the shape of Rents, here referred to.

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GRAY, SENIOR, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE KIRK
WORK.

20th December, 1637.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councell, Compeired William Gray, elder, Burges of Aberdein, and gave in and delyvered to Robert Cruikschank, master of Church work, the Soume of fyve hundred merkes, Scots money, which he mortified, and desyred to be employed on profite, for the use and benefite of the church warkes of this brugh, in all tyme heireftir.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT SMITH, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE USE OF DECAYED GUILD BRETHREN.

19th September, 1638.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Council, Compeir Robert Smith, Merchand Burges of Aberdeine, and delyvered to Mr William More, deane of gild, the Soume of ane hundredth merkes Scots money, as ane pairt of the moneyes promist be him to the poore, in his distres on Sea, in the moneth of Junii, 1637 yeires, to be employed on profite for the use of decayed gild brethren within the samen brugh, in all tyme cumeing.

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY WALTER ROBERTSONE, DEAN OF GUILD OF ABERDEEN, OF 100 PUNDS TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL AND GUILD BOX.

19th September, 1638.

THE said day, James Robertsone, eldest Sone and air to umquhill Walter Robertsone, late deane of gild of this brugh, gave in and delyvered to the Provest and Baillies the Soume of ane hundredth pounds, left in legacie be his said umquhill father, to the severall uses following, viz:—ane hundredth merkes to the gild brethren's hospitall, and fiftie markes to the gild box.

Sum mortified 100 pounds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT ALEXANDER, OF 25 MERKS
SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

15th July, 1639.

THE following Excerpt is taken from the Hospital accounts, for the year 1638-9 :—" Item resawed from Robert Alexander, the 15th of Julii 1639 zeires, tuentie fyve merkis, left in legacie to the hospitall, be umquhill Robert Alexander his father xvi. lib. xiii. S. iiiid."

Sum mortified 25 merks Scots, or ..	£1	7	9
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GRAY, SENIOR, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE USE
OF DECAYED GUILD BRETHREN, &c.

1st January, 1640.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsell, Compeired personallie William Gray, elder, burges of Aberdeine, and gave in fyve hundred merkes, Scots money, to the gild box, to be employed upon bank, and the profite therof to be bestowed on poore decayed gild brethren, ther widowes,

His own poor and bairnes, with conditione that his awne poore friends be kin to be preferred. preferrit, and helped with the profite therof.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or -	£27	15	6
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MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE DAVIDSON, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 350 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX, CHURCH WORK, GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL, FOOTDEE CHURCH, AND GENERAL POOR.

2d January, 1640.

THE said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsell, Compeired Gilbert Hervie, elder, Burges of this brugh, and delyvered on the councel table, in name and behalf of George Davidsone, elder, burges of this brugh, the soumes of money efter specifiet, frielie givin and mortifiet be the said George Davidsone, viz :—the Soume of ane hundredth merkes money to the gild box ; the Soume of fiftie merkes money for the use of the kirk-worke ; for the use of the beddals of the gild brethren's hospitall fiftie merkes ; fiftie markes for the use of the minister of the Church of Futtie ; to be layd upon profite for the seuerall uses respectiue aboue wreittin, and that by and attour of the Soume of ane hundredth merkes money, to be suchlike mortified and employed on profite for the use of the tounes commone poore, in all tyme cumeing.

Sums mortified—

To Guild Box	100	merks	Scots, or -	£	5	11	$1\frac{1}{3}$
To Kirk Work	50	do.	do. or -	2	15	$6\frac{2}{3}$	
To G. B. Hospital	50	do.	do. or -	2	15	$6\frac{2}{3}$	
To Minister of Futtie							
(now incorporated with Provost Jaf-							
fray's)	-	-	50 do. do. or -	2	15	$6\frac{2}{3}$	
To poor	100	do.	do. or -	5	11	$1\frac{1}{3}$	
350	do.	do. or -	£	19	8	$10\frac{2}{3}$	

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT JOHNSTON OF STAIN,
 BLACKFRIARS, LONDON, ESQ., OF £600 STERLING,
 TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

29th January, 1640.

EXTRACT from his last will and Testament :—“ Also I give and bequeath to the provest, baillies, of Aberdein, in the realme of Scotland, Sex hundred pound Sterling, upon ther putting in sufficient surieties unto my executors and oversier to employ the said Soume in a Stoke, to remayne in perpetuitie for ever,

Poor people to that the poore people of the citie of Aberdeine may be set at work, in laufull trads, and manufactoryes, for the benefite of trades. Aged, blind, lame, and im- potent, to be relieved. profite and entres of the said Stoke.”

Sum mortified -	-	-	£600	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY BARBARA FORBES, OR JOHNSTON,
 OF THE WHOLE BOOKS AND MATHEMATICAL IN-
 STRUMENTS OF DR. WILLIAM JOHNSTONE, HER
 HUSBAND, TO THE MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

17th February, 1641.

THE said day, Barbara Forbes, Widow and relict of umquhill Mr. William Johnstone, doctor in phisick, and professor of mathematiques within the new college of Aberdeine, hes frielie given and mortified to the Toune of Aberdeine, for the use of the said College, and particularlie for the use of the professor and Students of mathematiques within the same, in all tyme cumeing, the haill mathematicall bookes and instruments, which belonged to the said Doctor William, hir husband, the tyme of his decease.

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE DAVIDSON, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 50 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE KIRK WORK.

26th May, 1641.

“THE said day, George Davidsone, elder, Merchand, Compeirand in presence of the Provest Baillies and Councell, gave in the Soume of fiftie merkes in readie money, for the use of the Sant Nicolas Church work of this brugh,” . . . “to be employed on profite for the use of the said Church-worke in all tyme cumeing.”

Sum mortified 50 merks Scots, or	-	£2 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY DAVID CRUICKSHANK, BURGESS OF EDINBURGH, OF 350 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN’S HOSPITAL.

23d June, 1641.

THE following Excerpt is taken from the Council Register, Vol. lii. page 647 :—“The whilk day, in presens of the Prouest Baillies and Counsell, Robert Cruikshank, deane of Gild of this brughe, ane of the tutoris to Dauid and Alexander Cruikshankis, bairnis, and executouris confermit, to umquhill Dauid Cruikshank, merchand burges of Edinburgh, gave in

and delyuered to Thomas Gray, master of the Gild Brether-eine's hospitall of this brughe, the Sowme of thrie hundreth and feftie merkis, usuall Scottis money, in compleit payment of the Soume of fyve hundreth merkis, money foirsaid, left in legacie to the said hospitall, be the said umquhill Dauid Cruik-shank, the superplus of the whilk legacie, to witt, ane hundreth pundis money, being exhaustit in sae far as the Inventar of the defunctis gudis come short of the burdenis, whairunto the samen was lyable”

Sum realized 350 merks Scots, or - £19 8 10

MORTIFICATION BY DR. DUNCAN LIDDEL, OF 500 MERKS
TO THE MAINTENANCE OF LEARNING AND HELP
OF THE POOR.

25th August, 1641.

THE following Excerpt is copied from the Council Register, Vol. lii. p. 656 :—“The samen day, fforsameikle as umquhill Mr. Duncan Liddell Doctor of Medicine, be his latter will and Testament, left to umquhill Jeane Liddell, his Sister, the Soume of ane thousand merks money,” . . . “dureing hir lyf-tyme, allenerlie, and, efter hir deceas, that she sould distribut the ane halff thairof among hir brother and sister bairnes, as shoe sould think expedient, and the wther half thairof, to wit, the Soume of fyve hundreth merkis, to be employit, and maid

To be employ- furtheumand, eftir hir deceas, for mantenance of learning, and ed according to help of the poor in maner specefiet, in the said latter will,” . . . the terms of his Will. and the Provost Baillies and Town Council having received the said five hundred merks from John Liddel, Coupar, bur- gess of Aberdeen, Executor of the said Dr Liddel, his brother, discharge him thereof.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

This Mortification is now added to the Mortification for a Professor of Mathematics ; which see.

MORTIFICATION BY THE COUNCIL OF ABERDEEN OF
THEIR BON-ACCORD SILVER CUP TO THE CHURCH
OF ABERDEEN.

6th April, 1642.

THE said day, the Councell gives and grantis ther bonnacord Silver Coope double overguilt to the master of kirk worke, for the use and service of the Church, in all tyme cumeing, which coope, upon the last day of Maii, 1643 yeires, was delyvered be Walter Cochrane, deane of gild, to William Blakburne, master of kirkworke, to be exchanged be him for other coopes, for the use forsaid, according to the weight quhilk weyis. . . .

No entry of the value of this Cup appears either in the Council Register, Treasury, or Kirk Work, accounts.

MORTIFICATION BY LADY ROTHIEMAY, OF 1000 PUNDS,
TO MAINTAIN A SCHOOL-MISTRESS IN ABERDEEN
TO TEACH YOUNG WOMEN.

4th June, 1642.

"Be it knownen to all men, be thir presents, Me Catherin Forbes, relict of the right honourable umquhill William Gordone of rothiemay, of good memorie, for the honor of God, and for the love I beare to vertue in woemen, and to all woemen vertuouslie disposed, and to testifie my love to the brugh of Aberdeine, wherin I was educat and bred, the most pairt of my

youth, to have frielie given . . . to the prouest Baillies Councell and Communite of the said brugh of Aberdeine, and to ther Successors, . . . in tyme cumeing, the soume of ane thousand pounds, usuall current money of Scotland, . . . to be wairied and employed upon land or anuel rent, . . . and the yeirlie anuel rent therof . . . to be given and bestowed towards the helpe and maintenance of ane woeman to be ane mistres for keeping ane Schooll, in the brugh of Aberdeine,

Schoolmistress and teaching young woemen and lasses to reid, wreitt, and to teach young sow, and anie other airt, or Science, wheroft they can be capable, write, and sew. of the qualitie, and with the conditiones efter specified, viz :—

Schoolmistress this woeman and mistris of Schooll to be a widow of honest to be a widow report, grave, and modest cariage, and behaviour, and who of honest report. have lived, both in the tyme of hir widowheide, in the tyme of hir cariage and cohabitation with hir husband, of good lyfe and conversatione, frie of publict Scandell, and that sall be religiouslie disposed, and fearing God, or to be ane virgine, or

Or an aged vir- maide of aige, and discretione, grave, and modest, fitt for gin.

If she proves immoral, to be to marie, or to prove scandalous in ther carriage, lyfe, or discharged, af- conversatione, efter they be admitted to the said place, upon Councill.

just tryell and notice, to be taken be the saids prouest baillies and Councell, in that caice, schoe to be depryved of the said benefite, and put from the place, and ane uther woeman, of the qualitie and conditiones aboue specified, to be chosen and put in hir place ; Lykas, be thir presents, I give and grants to the saids prouest baillies and Councell, and ther successoures, . . . perpetuallie, in all tyme cumeing, the full and absolute right and powar of patronage, presentatione, and admissione, of the said widow or virgine, who sall enjoy the said place ; . . . lykwaies, with this speciall provisione and conditione,

Council to be Patrons. Her kin of the that, if it sall happen anie of my kinred or freinds, of the name of Forbes or Seton to be name of forbes, or Seatone, to present themselves, efter just ex-preferred.

aminatione and tryell, to be made be the saids prouest baillies and Councell, of the qualificatione and conditiones, to demand and sute the said place, and benefite, belonging thereto, schoe to be preferrit, befor all uthers whatsoever, *ceteris paribus* ;

Farther it is my speciale will, . . . becaus the said School cannot presentlie be erected, nor ane woman, of the qualitie and conditione forsaid, presentlie found out, that the annuel rent . . . of the said soume sall accresce and be added to the principall Soume, and the wholl soume, as weill principall as byrune anuel rents, to be . . . givin to the said mistres of school, in all tyme cuming, and this Mortificatione and School to be erected and set up, . . . with all possible convenient diligence."

Sum mortified 1000 punds, or - £83 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GRAY, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX.

13th June, 1643.

THE said day, William Gray, elder, of his owne good will, and charitable mynd, gave in and delyvered in Councell to Walter Cochrane, deane of Gild, ane thousand merkes to be put in the Brethren of Gild ther Box, frielie to ther use.

Sum mortified 1000 merks, or - £55 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT SKEINE, MERCHANT, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX.

9th November, 1643.

THE following is an Extract from his last will :—" Item I appoyn特 and ordayne the Soume of ane thousand

merkes to be mortified to the Box of the Gild Brethren of this brugh of Abirdeine, and the anuel rent therof to be distributed be the deane of gild yeerlie" among certain parties, mentioned in said Testament, and after the death of the saids parties, "the said deane of gild, and his successoures, with consent of ther assessoures, to dispose, upone anuel rent, of the said Soume to such uthers, indigent persones, yeerlie, as they sall think expedient."

Sum mortified 1000 merks, or	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY SIR THOMAS CROMBIE OF KEMNAY,
KNIGHT, OF THE SUM OF 30,000 MERKS SCOTS, TO
BURSARS, PRINCIPAL, AND PROFESSORS OF MARIS-
CHAL COLLEGE, AND MINISTER OF GREYFRIARS
CHURCH EQUALLY, 1000 PUNDS TO GUILD BRETH-
REN'S HOSPITAL, AND 500 MERKS TO TRADES'
HOSPITAL.

5th March, 1644.

ITEM, first, I mortifie to and in favours of the colledge of New Aberdeine, callit Marischall's Colledge, the Soume of tuentie thousand merks, Scots money, wherof the Soume of 10,000 merks to 8 Bursars for four years. ten thousand for sustentatione, helpe, and provisione, within the said Colleg, of aucht bursars, and the anuel rent and profite therof, according to aught for the hundredth, to be yeerlie payit to each bursar, during the tyme of ther four yeires course, as the same extends to, yeirlie, for each bursars pairt, to the Soume of ane hundredth merks money, and the Soume of 10,000 merks to ten thousand markes money, to be payit to the use and benefit of the principall, and four regents, of the said College, and Regents of Marischal College. the anuel rent and profite therof, according to aught merkes the hundredth, to be distribute payit and yeirlie given to the

principall of the said Colledge, for the tyme, onlie, or to the re-
 gents, or aither of them, in haill, or in part, at the discretione
 of the Provest Baillies and Councell of Aberdeine, for the
 tyme, whome I appoynt and nominat to be patrones, and onlie Council to be
Patrons.
 guyders, and governours, to have anc caire to sie the forsaide
 Soume of tuentie thousand markes waired, employit, and be-
 stowed, upon laud, sufficient band, or anuel rent; and the
 profit and anuel rent thereof to be yeerlie distribute to
 the particular persons, respectiue aboue rehearsed,
 Lykas I ordaine that give the bursars, or any of them, being
 receaved and admitted within the said College, provyded to the
 foirsaid yeerlie helpe and provisione, sall happen to become
 insolent, and not give ther attendance, In that (case) it sall be Bursars grow-
ing idle or im-
moral to be re-
moved.
 alwayses leisume to the saides provest Baillies and Councell,
 patrones aboue named, efter sufficient tryall first taken, to
 depose and remove all such insolent, and disobedient, turbu-
 land, and deboarding, bursars, and fra all benefite and pro-
 visione, and to admitt, accept, and receave, new bursars, in
 ther vice and place, also oft as neid beis and with pro-
 visione, also, that my neirrest folk and bloode freinds, on the Kinsmen on
 father and mother syde, or of my name, or of degree descending father or mo-
ther's side, or
of the same
name, to have
 aither in consanguinitie, or affinitie, sall be preferrit and have a preference.
 right, befor anie uther persone, to the saids bursars place, but a preference.
 anie questione, stope, or Impediment . . . Item to the hos- 1000 punds to
 pitall and poore of the brugh of Aberdeine, my native brugh, the Guild
 callit the merchand's hospitall, the soume of ane thousand Brethren's
 pounds money forsaide. Item to the uther hospitall and poore 500 merks to
 of Aberdeine, callit the craftsmenes hospitall, the soume of the Trades'
 fyve hundred merkes whilk particular soumes aboue
 written I ordaine . . . to be employed upone land, sufficient
 band and securitie, or anuel rent, and the anuel rent therof to
 be given, yeirlie, to the use of the poore and decayed mer-
 chands, craftsmen, and uther weake and infirme persones,
 within the saids hospitalls, be the sight and advyse . . . of
 the provest Baillies and Councell of Aberdein . . . Lykas, I Council, Pa-
 nominat and appoint the said provest baillies and Councell, trons of these
also.
 . . . to be onlie patrones and guyders of the forsaids Soumes

10,000 merks
to a Minister
of Greyfriars.

Council, Pa-
trons of this
also.

.... fforder, after dew considderacione, and resolutione with my selff, of my moneyes and meanes, quherbe both my wyife and Sisters are sufficientlie helpit and provydit, I think me bound in conscience to provyde, assigne, and mortifie, Lykas I do heirby mortifie, for the helpe and provisione of ane sufficient minister to the college gray frier kirk of new Aberdein, the principall Soume of ten thousand merks, dew to me be the earle of findlator, to remaine in stoke, and the anuel rent and profite therof, to be yeirlie givin, for the stipend and provisione of the minister, and to that effect, allenarly. Lykas, I nominat and appoyn特 the Provest Baillies and Counsell of Aberdeine, for the tyme, patrones therof.

Total of sums mortified 21333 pounds, 6s.

8d. Scots, or	-	-	-	£1777	15	6
To Bursars 10,000 merks Scots, or	-	-	-	555	11	2
To Principal and Professors of Marischal College, 10,000 merks Scots, or				555	11	2
To Minister of Greyfriars, 10,000 merks Scots, or				555	11	2

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER MURRAY, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO DECAYED BRETHREN OF GUILD.

26th June, 1644.

THE following Excerpt is copied from the Council Register, Vol. liii, part I. p. 1 :—"The Quhilk day, Alexander Murray, Elder, burges of Abirdein, mortified frielie to the Gild Box, for the use of the decayed brethren of Gild of this burgh, the Soume of fyve hundred merks, Scots money . . . and the Counsell ordanit that the zeirlie profite of the said Soume shold be distribut, ilk zeir."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE ROBERTSON, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A BURSAR AT THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL; AND OF HIS BOOKS TO THE MASTERS OF THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL; 300 MERKS TO ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH; 100 MERKS TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL; 100 MERKS TO THE TRADES' HOSPITAL; AND 50 MERKS TO THE POOR.

26th October, 1644.

“ I Maister George Robertsons, burges of Aberdeine, laufull Sone to umquhill Hendrie Robertsons, Cordiner, burges of the said brugh, . . . for the love and favour I have and beare to the toune of Aberdeine, and flourisching of learning therin, . . . and understanding that the grammer schooll of the said brugh of Aberdeine, for better instructing of the youth, and ease of the master of the said schooll, It is to be furnisched and provyded with a sufficient number of doctouris, and that no provisione as yit is made, to my knowledge, for weell inclyned bairnes of decayit burgessis and frie craftsmen of the said brugh, Therfor, and to the effect ane bursar, being ane Sone of Bursar must be a son of a Guild or Trades' Burgess. ane decayed burges of gild, or decayed frie craftsmene of the said brugh, may be founded and setled, in all tyme cumeing, in the grammer schooll of the said brugh of New Aberdeine, I leave destinat and mortifie to the said grammer schooll, for the use and mantenance of ane poore bursar therin, of the qualitie aforsaid, the Soume of ane thousand merks, good and usuall Scots money,” the Interest to be paid at Whitsunday and Martinmas, “ and that bursar I ordayne to be admitted to the said burse, and yeerlie benefite therof, be the provest baillies and Councell of the said brugh of Aberdeine, with Council, and Principal of College, and Master of Grammar School, to be Patrons. advyce of the principall of the new colledge of the said brugh, and of the master of the said grammer schooll; and to con-

Bursar to enjoy his privilege 4 years.

tinew with the uptaking therof yeerlie of the said Soume, for the space of four yeeres, allenarlie; at the outrunning of the

which four yeeres, I ordayne an uther bursar of the qualitie, capable of learneing, and enclyned thereto, be admitted be the saids magistrats and Councell, with advyce forsaid . . . and if it sall happen the said burser to deborde and miscarrie himselff,

If he prove immoral, to be deprived.

and behave himselff leudlie, in that caice, *ipso facto*, to be depryved of the said burse and benefite therof, and an uther to be admitted in his place.

Lykas, I leave my haill booke to the masters and doctors of the said grammer schooll, and to ther Succesouris, in all tyme heirefter, who sall be comptable to the said magistrats and Counsall of the said brugh, that the

Mortifies his books to the Masters of the Grammar School.

samen booke sall be furthcumeing and extant to the saids masters and doctors, and ther forsaids, conforme to the Inventar therof.

Item, I leave to Sanct Nicolas Church of Aberdeen, for upholding of the fabrick therof, the soume of thrie hundredth markes money, the profite therof I ordayne to be be- stowed for the use forsaid.

And if any of the name of Robert- sone beis apt and qualified, they to be preferrit to the said burse but competitione. Item I leave to the gild brethren's

hospitall of the said brugh ane hundredth merkes money. Item to the crafts hospitall ane hundredth merkes money. Item to the kirk Sessione, to be put on band for the use of the poore,

fiftie markes money.

Sums mortified—

To a Bursar at Grammar School 1000 merks

Scots, or	-	-	-	£55	11	1½
To St. Nicholas Church	300	merks, or		16	13	4
To Guild Brethren's Hospital	100	do.	or	5	11	1½
To Trades'	100	do.	or	5	11	1½
To Poor	50	do.	or	2	15	6½
				£86	2	2½

MORTIFICATION BY DOCTOR PATRICK DUNE, PRINCIPAL OF MARISCHAL COLLEGE, OF ABOUT 2000 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE REPARATION OF MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

4th December, 1644.

“THE which day, doctor Patrick Dune, primar of the College of this brugh, gave in and delyvered to the magistrats and councell thrie bands on the Soumes of money efter specified, viz :—ane band givin to him be Thomas Collinsone ; one, fyve hundreth merkes, and ane half yeires bygane anuel therof ; Item ane band, givin to him be Paull Meinzies, on Sax hundreth merkes, with ane yeires bygone annuel therof ; Item ane band, givin to him be Thomas Pape, on tua hundred fourscore merkes, with ane yeires annuel therof ; which Soumes of money with fyve hundreth and tuentie aught merkes, givin in be the said Doctor Dune, in readie moneyes, the said Doctor Dune destinats to be bestowed upon the reparatione of the edifice of the said College, which was latlie brunt be fyre.”

Sums mortified about 2000 merks Scots, or £111 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN SETON OF AUQUHORTIES, OF 200 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

11th December, 1644.

THE following Excerpt is taken from the Council Register, Vol. liii. part I. page 31 :—“The said day, Compeirit George Seatoun off Auquhorties, and payit and delyuerit to

Thomas Gray, master of the Gild Brethren's Hospitall of this burghe, The Soume of tua hundred merkis, Scottis money, left in legacie to the said hospitall be umquhill Johne Setoun of Auquhorties, his father."

Sum mortified 200 merks Scots, or	-	£11	2	2
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MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE ROBERTSON, NOTARY PUBLIC, OF A HOUSE IN BROAD STREET, FOR THE SUPPORT OF A MINISTER IN GREYFRIARS CHURCH.

18th December, 1644.

EXCERPT from Council Register, Vol. liii. part I. page 33 :—
 “ The same day, the Counsall Considering the great respect showin be Maister George Robertson, notar publict, burges of Abirdeine, and his forderance of pious workis within this burghe, By mortifieing his fairland, under and aboue, with the pertinentis, lyand in the heid of the Bredget, To the minister of the Grayfrier kirk,”—and by his other mortifications to the Grammar School, St. Nicholas Church, Guild Brethren and Trades' hospitals, and to the poor, resolve—“ to recompence Robert Robertson, Cordoner, his Cousing German, and narrest air in some measure, Quha is but ane poor man, and hes ratified and approwin the said umquhill Mr. George his testament in all poynjis.”

Rental of the said house for the year 1645-
 1646 according to the Mortification ac-
 counts, 73 pundis 6s. 8d. Scots, or - £6 2 2
 Now incorporated with Sir Thomas Crombie's.

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM FORBES, SENIOR, BURGESS
OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE
GUILD BOX.

25th February, 1646.

FOLLOWS an Excerpt from Council Register, Vol. liii part I. p. 69 :—"The same day, it wes exponit and declarit in Counsall be William Petrie, dean of Gild of this burghe, that umquhill William Forbes, Elder, burges of the said burghe, be his lettre will and Testament, did mortifie, for the use of the Gild Box, and supplieing of the necessities of the poore decayed brethren of Gild, the Soume of ane thousand merkis Scotis money."

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or -	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE COCHRANE, OF 270 PUNDS
TO THE GUILD BOX.

10th February, 1647.

THE following Entry occurs in Council Register, Vol. liii. part I. page 102 :—"The said day, Walter Cochrane, lait dean of Gild of this burghe, gave in, in counsall, to William Petrie deane of gild, the Soume of tua hundredth thrie Scoir ten pundis Scots money, mortified be umquhill George Cochrane, his brother germane, for the use of the Gild Box, and supplieing the necessities of poore decayed brethren of gild."

Sum mortified 270 pounds, or -	£22 10 0
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MORTIFICATION BY JEAN GOOLD, (OR GUILD,) WIDOW OF
 DAVID ANDERSON OF FINZEAUCH, AND BY CERTAIN
 OF HER RELATIONS, OF THE BLACKFRIARS MANSE,
 &c. &c., AND OF 4700 MERKS SCOTS, TO MAINTAIN
 AND EDUCATE TEN POOR ORPHANS.

15th and 17th March, 1649.

“ BE it kend till all men, whome it effeires, be thir presents, me Jeane Goold, relict of umquhill David Andersone sumetyme of Finzeauch, burges of Aberdeine, lyfreenter of that tenement of Land callit the Blakfriers manse . . . lying at the Schoollhill of the said brugh, and ws Janet Andersone, Spous to Maister Johne Gregorie, Minister at Drumacock, sister germaine to”—the said David Anderson, William Thoris, and George Wilsone, nephews of the said David Anderson, and heritable proprietors of the said blakfriers manse, witt ye us, and ilk ane of ws, to have doted givin and mortified . . . To and in favours of the provest baillies councell and communitie of the brugh of Aberdeine, and ther Successours, for the use of

To 10 poor Orphans, male or female, for their main- tenance and education.

If one parent be alive, that parent must be poor.

Kin of David Anderson, and his sisters to be preferred.

ten poore orphanes, male or female, ther educatione and man- tenance, yeerlie, within the said brugh, and for ther helpe, for that effect, the saids orphanes being *orbi utroque vel uno parente*, whoes parent alyve beis not able to mainteine themselfes, alwais the kinsfolk of the said umquhile Mr. David, and his saids Sisters, who have not wherupon to mainteine themselfes, being preferred to all uther orphanes, whither they be gottin within or without the brugh; All and Haill the said tenement of land, callit the blakfriers manse, with the yeards, barnes, and pertinents, whatsoever, belonging therto, lying at the schoolhill of the said brugh, marched and meithed, as the

seuerall Infestments proportis . . . and, sicklyk, for the use, and to the effect, aboue wreittin, wee all, with consent forsaid, be vertue of thir presents, doe dote give and mortifie the Soume of four thousand and Sevine hundredth merkes, usuall Scots money"; . . . also "It is speciallie provyded and appoynted be us, the saids mortifiers, that of the rents maills dueties and anuel rents of the saids landes, and money aboue mortified, fyve hundredth (merks) Scots money, be payit yeerlie to the saids ten orphanes, viz; to ilk orphane fiftie merkes, Scotis money, for ther educatione and maintenance"—at 50 merks yearly.

Whitsunday and Martinmas yearly—"ay and so long, and ay and whill, the male be auchteine yeires of aige, and the female fyftein yeires, or at leist whill they tack themselfes to some laufull vocatione and calling, wherby they may live, and they to have a yeir or more, be the discretione of the Councell of Aberdeine, after they have taken them to ane calling, for ther helpe therunto; Togidder with Tuentie merkes money, to be yeirlie given to the ordinarie toune clerk, for his paynes to be takin in aniething that concernes this mortificatione . . . and wee doe all nominat constitute and appoynt the Provest baillies and Councell of the said brugh, and ther Successouris, in all tyme cumeing, the onlie undoubted patrones of this present mortificatioun, the haill claussis and conditiones wherof wee desyre them faithfullie to keepe . . . and speciallie that they will have a caire, that all the saids orphanes, both male and female, how soone through aige they sall be fund capable, be educat and trayned up in the knowledge of the ground of CHRISTIAN religione, and also in reading, wreiting, Schewing, and all such as may fitt them for anie vertuous calling or trade of lyfe, according to ther Sex; and that at ilk terme when they receave ther proportione, as said is, they being conveened in on place, and ane of the ministers of Aberdeine, designed be the councell for that effect, and accompanied with the master of mortified moneys, particularlie try and examine them, what progres they have made therin; and if they be found neglective in attending the meanes of ther educatione, or not profiting ther-

Each orphan shall receive 20 merks yearly.

Orphans to be maintained until the Male attains 18, and the Female 15, years of age, and until a year after they are bound to some business.

20 merks to the Town Clerk.

Council to be Patrons.

Orphans to be trained in the Christian religion, and in reading, writing, sewing, &c. &c.

A Minister of Aberdeen appointed by the Council, and Master of Mortifications, to examine the progress of the orphans yearly.

by, that they be severlie rebooked or further censured, at the discretione and pleasure of the said Councell."

Sum mortified 4700 merks Scots, or -	£261	2	2
Rent of Blackfriars Manse <i>per annum</i> 251			
punds 6s. 8d., or - - -	20	18	10

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES DAVIDSON, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 300 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX; AND 200 MERKS TO ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL OF ABERDEEN.

4th January, 1654.

"THE said day, in presence of the Councell, Bessie Cruickshank, relict, and Executrix dative confirmed, to the deceist James Davidsone, burges of Aberdein, declared that the said deceased James Davidsone hade left in legacie to the Gild Brethren of the said Brugh of Aberdeine, and for ther use, to be mortified and employed, the Soume of Thrie hundredth merkes money and also left in legacie for the use of the Beddells of Saint Thomas Hospitall, Tua hundredth merks money, and the anuel rent therof yeerlie to be payit to them."

Sums mortified—

To Guild Box 300 merks Scots, or -	£16	13	4
To , , Hospital 200 merks Scots, or	11	2	2

MORTIFICATION BY DR. ALEXANDER ROSS, OF £200
 STERLING, FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF TWO BURSARS
 AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE; AND £50 STERLING TO
 THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

22d February, 1655.

EXTRACT from the Last will and Testament of the said Dr. Alexander Ross, contained in a letter from his Brother, William Ross, to the Magistrates :—“I bequeath to the Senat of Aberdeine tua hundred pounds, Sterling money, to remayne for ever towards the maintenance of tua poore Schollars, by the use of the said money ; which tua poore Schollars sall be borne in the toune, and instructed in the grammer schooll of that toun, and then advanced to ther new Colledge, who, after they have atteined to ther degree of master of airt, They sall give place to uther tua schollars, which sall be chosen by the magistrats aboue said. Item, I bequeathe to the said Senate fiftie pounds, Sterling money, to continue for ever towards the maintenance of tua poore men, in ther hospitall, by the use of the said money.”

Bursars must
be born in
Aberdeen, and
bred at the
Grammar
School.
Magistrates
patrons.

Sums mortified—

To Bursars	-	-	-	£200	0	0
To Hospital	-	-	-	50	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES ABERDOUR, DYER, OF 100
 PUNDS TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

31st December, 1656.

EXCERPT from Council Register, Vol. liii. part 1st, page 518 :—
 “ The said day, the Counsell appoints the master of mortifi-

cationes to receave from Doctour James Leslie, doctour of Medicine, the Sowme of ane hundredth punds, Scotts money, left and mortified be the deceast James Aberdour, litster, to the poore people of this burgh, and appoints the samen to be stockit upon band, and the anuel rents of the samen to be distribut to the poor, be adwyce of the said doctour Leslie, dureing his lyfetyme."

Sum mortified 100 punds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER ANDERSON, SENIOR,
BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 300 MERKS SCOTS, TO
ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL, AND OF 100 PUNDS TO THE
POOR.

7th January, 1657.

Council Regis- I Alexander Andersoun, elder, merchant burges of Aberdein,
ter, vol. liii. p. 519. out of the love favor and affectioun that I bear to the toune of
Aberdein . . . Be thir presentis, mortifie . . . , to Alexander Bur-
net, present master of Sanct Thomas Hospitall, and to his Suces-
sors, masters of the said hospitall, All and Haill the Soume of
thrie hundredth merks usuall Scots money . . . and lykways
to John Scott master of mortified moneys, and his Successors,
for the use of the poor of the said burgh the Soume of ane
hundredth punds money ; . . . the saids moneys above writ-
ten to be bestowit and administrat be the provest Baillies
and Counsell of Abirdein.

Sums mortified—

To Hospital 300 merks Scots, or	-	£16 13 4
To Poor 100 punds do. or	-	8 6 8
		£25 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY DR. GUILD, OF 7000 MERKS SCOTS,
TO MAINTAIN AND TEACH POOR ORPHANS.

12th August, 1657.

EXTRACT from the Testament of Dr. Guild, in which, *inter alia*, he declares:—“I have, pairtly beside me, in gold and silver, and pairtlie on band, Sevine thousand merkes or therby; . . . which sevine thousand merkes I leave to be secuired on land, by the toune councell, and Sessione, of Abirdeine, the yeerlie profite therof to come to the sustentatione of poore orphanes, to hold them at schooles, or trads, Impartiallie, To put orphans to Schools or without inverting anie way this mortificatione, as they shall Trades. answeire to God at the last day.”

Sum mortified 7000 merks Scots, or	-	£388 17 9
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MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM BURNET, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 600 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

9th December, 1657.

THE following Excerpt is copied from the Council Register, Vol. liii. page 577:—“The said day, the Counsell tacking to consideratioun the suplicatione of William Burnet, burges of Aberdein, somtyme residerter in Polland, mentioneing that he wes ane old weak decrepit man, and burges of gild of this burghe, and haid nether wyff nor children, Thairfoir desyring that he micht be admittit as ane beddall in the hospitall of this burghe, . . . and, in respect the said Williame did give in

Mortifier admitted to the Hospital.

to the said hospitall, to be furtheumand for the use theroff, the Soume of Sex hundred merks Scots money, The Counsell does heirby receave and admitt the said William Burnett to be ane beddall in the said hospitall."

Sum mortified 600 merks Scots, or	-	£33 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY PROVOST MORESONE OF KIRKHILL,
OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE POOR; AND OF 100
MERKS TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

1st May, 1658.

EXTRACT from the last will of the said Provost Moresone:—
“ Item I leave to the poore of the Brugh of Aberdeine fyve hundred merkes money . . . which Soume I ordayne to be payit to the Provest and baylies of Aberdeine, to be employed be them upone band, or land, and the anuel rent tberof yeerlie to be distribute, be ther ordour, amongst the poor of the said burgh as they sall think expedient. Item I leave ane hundred merkes money to the hospitall of the decayed brethren of gild of Aberdene, and they to have the yeerlie anuel rent therof for ther better supplie.”

Sums mortified—

To Poor 500 merks Scots, or	-	£27 15 6
To Guild brethren's Hospital 100 merks, or		5 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN SCHAND, IN ROTTERDAM, OF
500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE KIRK WORK CHARGE.

17th November, 1658.

EXCERPT from Council Register, Vol. liii part 1. page 641:—
“ The said day Compeirit, in Counsell, William Schand,

burghes of Aberdein, and did hold out and declair to the Counsell, that the deceast John Schand, his broyer, resident in Roterdame, haid, by his leter will and testament, left and bequethit to the kirk work of Aberdein, the Sowme of thrie hundreth gilders, dutch, extending in Scotts money to the Sowme of ffyve hundreth merks . . . which Sowme the said Williame did instantly, be ordour of the Counsell, delyver to John Duncan, master of the kirk and Brige Works, for the behoof of the said kirk work."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

This mortification was added to the Funds belonging to the kirk Charge, which were wholly exhausted by the expense of rebuilding the West Church about the year 1730.

MORTIFICATION BY CATHARINE ROLLAND, WIDOW OF DR. WILLIAM GUILD, OF THE LANDS OF MILL TOWN OF MURTLE, AND LANDS OF ARDFORK AND KILBLAIN, TO THE SUPPORT OF BURSARS, BURGESSES' WIDOWS, MAIDENS, AND POOR.

9th December, 1659.

BEE it kend till all men, be thir presents, Me Cathrine Rolland, relict of the deceast Doctor William Guild, doctor of Divinitie in Aberdeine, Forsameikle as my said deceast husband, before his decease, for the loue and fauour whilke he carried to me, and other onerouse causes moueing him, having perfect knowledge of my resolutione and purpose To mortifie the lands and others underwritten, did, by his letters obliga-

tors, . . . oblige him to performe anie mortificatione I should macke"—of the toune and lands after specified,—“ according as I should happen to sett doune in my letter will, and to fulfill the same to the piouse uses whairunto I should destinat and appoint the same, conforme to my will in all poynts, but revocatione or againe calling . . . Tharfore I have disponed and mortified All and Haill the haill Lands of Milne toune of Murthill, Milne, Milne lands, astrict multures, and sequells, therof . . . as they ar set doune and exprest in the Infeftment maid therof to my deceast husband, who denudit them in my favours, as is aboue written, lyand within the parochine of Neither Banchrie, and Schirrefdome of Aberdene, and quhilkes will extend in zeirlie rent in victuall, compteing all at ane hundreth merks the chalder owerheid, to thrie chalders victuall, wharof tuo chalders meall and one chalder beare. And, sicklickie, I, be thir presents, mortifies and dispons . . . all

Lands of Ardfork and Kilblaine. and Haill the Lands of Ardforcke and kilblaine, wodsett to my said deceast husband be Patrik Urquhart, and disponed be him to me, as is above written, Quhilke will extend in zeirlie rent, at present, to fourtie four bolls victuall, and thrie hundreth and fiftie marks of money, and whilke I estimat at ane hundreth marks the chalder for the victuall, both siluer and victuall, all ower head, to Sex hundreth marches of yeirlie rent; and whilkes haill lands will extend in zeirly rent to nyne chalders in victuall and money rent, compteing ane hundreth marks for ilke chalder victuall, as said is, and . . . I will decerne and ordaine that ther shall be perpetuallie payit zeirlie, furthe of the dueties of the foirsaisd haill lands, To foure bursars within the Colledge of new Aberdene, being honest decayed burgessis of gild sonnes of the said Bruche, whose parents beis not able to maintaine them at the said Colledge, for thair educatione and up bringing at the samene, duering thair courses therin; To ilk ane of the saids four bursars Ten bolls sufficient ferme meall, or beare, or money whair the victuall failles, according to the rentall of the saids lands, and as it shall happine to give in the Countrey, for the decayed Burgeses of tyme. Item I decerne and ordaine, and perpetuallie mortifies, Guild.

10 Bolls victuall to each of 4 Bursars, at Marischal College who shall be sons of lands, and as it shall happine to give in the Countrey, for the decayed Burgeses of tyme. Item I decerne and ordaine, and perpetuallie mortifies, Guild.

Milltown of Murtle.

furth of the rent of the saids lands, To four bursars in the grammer schooll of the said bruch, being, sicklycke, decayed honest Burgessis of gild Sonnes within the said burghe, whois parents beis wnable to mantaine them at the said grammar schooll ; to ilk ane of them Sewen bolls sufficient ferme meall, 7 Bolls victual to 4 Bursars or bear, or money, as it happins to giue in the Country, yeirlie, at Grammar dureing thair course att the said gramar Schooll ; and to the end that the saids bursars may be the better ordoured in re. deaveing their burses, it is my will that, at their entrie to the Colledge, and Gramare Schooll, thair may be one of the four appoynted to be bursers by me in ewerie on of them, entred in ewerie classe, both in the grammar schooll, and Colledge, so that ewerie on may ascend up to another's place, till their courses be perfytit, and othirs put in the vacant rounmes ; and furthir I doe heirby seriouslie recomand to the patronnis undernominat, and to ther respective maisters of the Colledge, and grammar Schooll, as they will answir to God, That they giue none the benefit of the saids burses But such who are come of honest parentage, as said is and ar weell inclynid in theire owne natures, and given to learneing, and if anie sall be put in, that ar othirwayes disposid, That they be duelie tryed and examined be the patronis and maisters aforsaids, and wpon the notorietie of thair fault, to be censured or removed, according to the discretione of the patronis, and maisters, and uthirs put in their rowmes, incaice they be remoovid. Item I doe heirby expreslie decerne, will and prouide, That thair be four bolls victuall peyit yeirlie, 4 Bolls to furth of the forsaid rent, to him that is into the fourth class, every graduate Bursar, if he after his lauriatione, if he enclyne to the studie of devynitie ; be inclined to study Divinity, As also tuantie punds money to be payit to him zeirlie, as is 20 punds after prest, for tuo zeirs aftir his lauriatione, or for one zeir, yearly for 1 or as they pleise, and if he sall not give himselfe to the studie of divinitie, Then I appoint the forsaid four bolls victuall and twantie punds money to be yeirlie payit, for tuo zeirs after the lauriatione, to anoyer young man who sall attend the divinitie schooll, being cum of honest parentage, whois necessitie sall be found greatest ; But, if ane othir of my aine bursers cum in in

If Bursar do not study Divinity, then the said premiums shall be given to an-

1 Bursar must be in every class, both at School and College.

Bursars shall be of honest parentage, and well inclined, and given to learning.

If immoral, &c. to be censured or deprived.

other Divinity the Interim, and followis the course of divinitie of the Colladge, Student, who as said is, Then the benefitt of the saids four bollis victuall, at any time shall give and Tuentie punds money, sall returne to him, at his lauria- place to one of toun, and the other onlie to haue the benefite thairof, whan it her Bursars studying Divi- vaickes, in default of anie of my owne bursers their not macking- nity.

48 pounds yearly, to be paid to 6 poor Scholars, at any English or Grammar school, to buy Clothes.

1 year's rent of lands to be stocked for payment of Bursaries to Students of Divinity, and 6 poor Scholars.

Her own kin by Father or Mother's side to be preferred, after whom the surname of Rolland.

24 bolls meal to be yearly given to 6 wi- dows of decay- ed honest Bur- gesses, equally.

as said is, Then the benefitt of the saids four bollis victuall, and Tuentie punds money, sall returne to him, at his lauria- place to one of toun, and the other onlie to haue the benefite thairof, whan it vaickes, in default of anie of my owne bursers their not macking- use thairof, and no uthirwyse. Item I furder will, de- cerns, and ordains, the Soume of fourtie aucht punds monie to be zeirlie peyit, be the patronis undirnamit, to sex poor schol- lars that getts ther educatione at anye English or gramar Schooll for nothing, whilke will be tuelue markis to ilke one of them for buying them ane Suit of Cloaths for the winter Seasone, those that are best Inclyned, and most given to learning, and come of honest people, that hes nott wherwith to helpe them, beeing alwayis preferrit; and fforsameikle as the tuantie punds, to be zeirly payit to the Student of divinitie, and fortie aucht punds to the Sex poore Schollaris will extend zeirlie to the Soume of thriescoir aucht punds, Thairefoire, to the end the same may be duelie payit, I heirby appoint and ordaine that the next zeirs rent, immediatlie efter my decease,

..... of the haill landis of disblaire, except the wastir maynis, Ardforke and kilblaine, milne, and milne landis of Murthill, whilke I estimat to Sevinteine hundredth marks rent for that zeire, shall be lifted up and stocked in a Sowme, be the patrones wndirnamit, and the yeirs rent therof, whilke will be thrie scoir aucht pundis, to be zeirlie payit to the said Stu- dent of divinitie, and Sex poore Schollaris, In manir aboue written. Lyckas, I heirby provyde, speciallie, that anie of

the neirest of my kin, aither off the father or mother syde, be absolutly preferrit to the benefitt of this my mortificatione; and to haue the zeirlie benefit therof, if they sall desire the samen, both in the gramare scholl and Colledge, and course of devinitie aforsaid; and failyieing of them, whosoeuir beis of the Surename of Rolland, they alwayis to be preferrit thereto.

Attowre I mortifie and dispone to Sex widowis of decayit honest burgessis of gild's wifes, for helpe of thaire mantainance and sustentatione, Tuentie four bolls sufficient ferme meall, or beare, as said is zeirlie, to be equallie dewydit amongst them, To witt; to ilke one of them, zeirlie, foure bolls sufficient

ferme meall or bear yearlie and I mortifie and dis- 20 bolls meal
 pone Tuantie bolls ferme meall to the Commonwealthe of the
 poor. to common
 said bruche of Aberdene, to be distributit amongst them, be
 the patrons underwrittin, quarterlie, the neerest of my kin on Always pre-
 the father and mother syid, and failzieing of them, such of the nearest of kin,
 surname of Rolland, being always preferrit, to the benefitt of or surname of
 Rolland.
 this mortification. Mairover, seing my said deceast husband
 hes left ane thousand marks to the poore of the parrochyn of
 King Edward, whaire he was first ministerr, and whair he and
 I remayned ane long tyme, I will thatt thaye discharge the
 said thousand marcks, left to them be my said deceast hus-
 band, and that they have of my mortificatione for their helpe,
 zeerelie, and in satisfactione therof, for tuo bursers of the said
 parochyn of King Edward, being tuo honest husband men's
 Sons, aither at the Colledge or Gramar Schooll of Aberdeine,
 as the patronis underwrittyn shall think expedient, nyne bolls 9 bolls victual
 sufficient ferme meall or Beare, according to the Rentall of the to each of 2
 aboue writtyn Lands, zeirlie, to ilke on of them, whose bursars at Col-
 parentis beis not able to helpe and mantaine them at Scholis, and if the minister and eldirs of King Edward sall not thinke lege or Gram-
 fitt to employ the said victuall to tuo bursars, in manir above mar School,
 written, But that they desyre the poore of the pariosch rathir who shall be
 to haue the benefitt thairoff, Then I heirby ordaine and appoint sons of honest
 that the saids auchteine bolls victuall sall be perpetuallie payit, Or if preferred
 yeirlie, be the patronis undirwritten, or money therfor at ane by Kirk Ses-
 hundred marckes the chaldir, To the Minister and Sessione of sion, the said
 King Edward, to be destributed and delyuerit be them to the 18 bolls to be
 poore of the said parosche, according to their necessities, as paid to poor of
 they sall thinke expedient and fordare to the Toune said parish.
 Clarke of Aberdene, and his Successsors, in his place, Two 2½ bolls victual
 bolls and ane halff, ferme meall, to be payit furth of the rent to Town-Clerk.
 of the saidis lands. And, to the effect the saids Mortification
 may be richtlie destributed and Employit, . . . I doe imme-
 diatlie appoyn the prowest and Baillies and Councell of Aber-
 deine, and principall of the Colledge therof, with James Council, Prin-
 Rolland, my brother sonne, and his maill children, and their cipal of Col-
 lawfull maill posteritie, to be patrones of this my haill morti- lege, and male
 ficatione and destributors thairof and the said James heirs of James
 Rolland, her nephew, to be patrons.

Rolland, and his maill Successoris, Too have power to present thrie bursers of the saids aucht bursars, aithir in the Colledge or in the Gramar Scholl, be him or his saids maill Successoris, themselues alone. And forsaemeikle James Rolland, my brother sone, will fall to the heritable richt of the haill lands of disblaire, Therfor I doe heirby expreslie ordaine and provyde that the saids haill lands of disblaire"—shall belong to him and his heirs male, and failing heirs male, to heirs female, for the space of nineteen years, and after the said nineteen years "Then and in that caices, aboue writtene,

Lands of Dis- I hereby perpetuallie mortifie the saids haill lands of Dis-
blair, after 19 blaire, and zeirlie rent therof, To als manie young maidens, un-
years, morti- fied to the sup-
fiess. maried, honest decayit burgessis of gild's douchters, for upp-
lied to the sup- bringing and teaching them to sewe and read, as will take up
port and edu- the said haill rent, according to the proportione efter specified,
cation of Burgesses.
daughters of viz :—To each of them aucht bolls ferme meall yeirlie, wherof
decayed Guild fyue bollis to be giuen them zeirlie for thair mantainance and
Burgesses. aance and a dowry.
Each to have apparill, and thrie bollis to be put to foire yeirlie, till it shall
a yearly allow- please God to helpe them to a fortune; Ther entrie thereto to
ance and a begin at ther aige of aucht yeirs, and to continew in the said
dowry. 8 till the age of benefitt till they be fyftaine yeirs compleitt . . . and fordarre
15 years. I appoint and ordaine Sex bolls ferme meall of the forsaids
6 bolls given haill rent of disblaire to be yeirlie payit to on of the Sex wid-
to one of her dowis, aboue written, who sall be found most fitt and qualified
widows for for educatioun and up bringing of the saids maidens, in sewing,
teaching them. and reading, and other vertue. . . . and furderre I ordaine
50 merks to the Soume of fefty merks, Scotts money, to be upliftit furth of
uphold Dr. the lands of Lairhill, and putt upone anuel rent, for upholding
Guild's tomb. the Tombe above my deceist husband and me, and that the
 said Tombe be cairefullie uphalden, fra tym to tyme, wpone
 the said money, be the patronis foirsais, as neid sall require.

Gross rental of the above Lands, as speci-
 fied in the Mortification Accounts for
 1661-2., 769 punds 11s. 8d. or Ster-
 ling - - - - £64 2 7

1 year's Rent, including Interest (not re-
 ceived till 6 April, 1665*), 1700 merks

Scots, or - - - - 94 8 10

* Council Register, vol. liv., p. 595.

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES ROLLAND, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF YEARLY FEU-DUTIES, AMOUNTING TO 16 PUNDS 7S. 8D. SCOTS, TO THE KIRK CHARGE.

4th July, 1660.

THE said day, fforsamekle as James Rolland, burges of Aberdeen, for the richt and libertie of the dask in the old kirke of this burghe, upon the north syd of the kirk, nixt the pillar, wher the pulpit is, and of ane free buriall place and Lair befor the said dask, so long as it sall be permissible, be the lawes of this natione, to burie in kirks, is content to dispone and mortifie to George Lesly, master of kirk work, of the brughe of Aberdeine, the particular annuels or few maills belonging to him"—which are to be levied from the particular properties described in the said minute,—“ In the haill, the saids annuells, extending to the Soume of Sixteen punds Seven Shilling aucht pennies Scots money.” Therefore the Magistrates and Council dispone the saids desk or Seat and burial Lair to the said James Rolland, and his heirs male, and Successors of his name, *in perpetuum.*

Sum mortified 16 punds 7s. 8d. yearly, or £1 7 3

This property was along with other Funds applied to the rebuilding of the West Church about 1730.

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE DAVIDSON, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF THE LANDS OF PETTENS AND BOGFAIRLY, FOR THE STIPEND OF ONE MINISTER IN ABERDEEN, AND TO THE GUILD BOX.

12th May, 1662.

BE it kend till all men, whome it effectes, Be thir presents, Me

George Dauidsone, burges of Abirdeine, for the Glorie of God, and for the weell of soules, within the said brugh of Aberdeine, To have mortified annailyied givin and grantit *ad puram Elymosinam* To John Smith, present Thesaurar of the said brugh of Aberdeine, and his Successoures in the said office, Thesaurars of the said brugh, in all tyme heireafter, for the pious uses following, To witt ; for payment of ane minister's Stipend to serve within the said brugh of Aberdeine, in all thinges requisit to the ministeriall calling, to be payit out of the rents and dueties of the Landes underwreitine, according as the Provest Baylies and Councell of the said Brugh schall aggrie with a Minister for that effect, and for the use of the Gild Box of the said brugh of Abirdeine, in sua farr as the rents and dueties of the saids lands may be extendit, attour the payment of the said Ministers Stipend, and if ther be any superplus therof, The minister alwayes being first payit, All and haill the toune and lands of pettanes, kirkcroft, and Old milne croft therof, and north pleugh of Westburne, with the houssis, biggings, zeards, . . . lyand within the parrochine of Balhelvie, and Shirrefdome of Aberdeine, excepting Sex rigs of the said North pleugh of Westburne, lyand in the taill of the Anchorum Moss, extending to ane hundredth and fiftie four elnes in lenth, and fiftie elnes in breadth, (whilk Sex rigges belongs to Alexander Stewart of Colpnay, burges of Aberdeine), and also the toune and lands of Bogefairlie, with the houses, bigginges, zeardes ; lyand within the parischine off Sanct Machar, and friedome of Aberdeine, . . . as also, be thir presents, I nominat Constitute and ordayne

Council to be the provest Bailies and Counsell of the said brugh of Aberdeine, patrones, to present the said Minister, and to sie that the rents and dueties of the saids lands yeerlie be bestowit and applyed to the uses particularlie aboue wreiten, and to no uther use, directlie nor indirectlie." And if there be any surplus, de given to the

If there be any surplus, it shall coming to the Guild Box, after paying the Minister's Stipend, be given to the Guild Box; his he appointed that his "kinsfolkes, (if any be), whilks faylie-own kin and surname to be ing, any honest persone that beis found worthie, in my name, preferred.

within the said brugh, be preferrit to the benefite therof, befor uthers, be discretione of the saids patrones."

Gross rental of Lands for Crop 1663, the	
first year in which they appear in the	
Treasury Accounts, -	£80 3 4
Add 1000 merks, also mortified by the	
said George Davidson, -	55 11 1

**MORTIFICATION BY MARGARET MOWAT, OF 100 MERKS
SCOTS, TO THE UPHOLDING OF ARDO'S TOMB.**

16th July, 1662.

FOLLOWS Extract from Council Register, Vol. liv. page 380 :—"The said day, anent the supplication giwin in to the Counsell, be Margaret Mowat, Relict of the deceast James Mowat of Logie, showing that, quhar it haveing pleaseit God to remove hir umquhill husband from this lyfe, whose bodie wes interrit befor his grand uncle James Mowat of Ardo, his tomb, Therfor desyring the Counsell to grant hir libertie to put on wpone the grave of hir said husband ane lair stane, for such compositione as they suld think fitt, Sieing the samen wold tend to the decorrement of the church yard ; The Counsell, in Consideratione that the Supplicant haid offerit to give in to the Counsell, and maister of kirk work, the Sowme of ane hundreth merks, Scotts money, to be stockit, for upholding and manteneing, by the anuel rent therof, the tomb and buriall place of the said deceast James Mowat of Ardo,"—granted libertie to the supplicant to put up the said stone under these conditiones—"viz ; that the samen libertie is not to be understood, for appropriating that part of the Church yard to the supplicant, or to any of the deceast Mr. James Mowat his

The Burial familie, but the samen sall remaine comone, in all tyme comeing, and frie to anie of the inhabitants of this brught . . . and that, in tyme comeing, the said Margret Mowatt herselff, or any other, sall pay the ordinarie pryce at present, and in tyme comeing, to be appointit for the said lair."

Sum mortified, 100 merks Scots, or - £5 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE DAVIDSON, BURGESS OF
ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO POOR OF
FOOTDEE; 100 MERKS FOR CHURCH YARD DYKE
OF FOOTDEE, BRIDGE OF BUXTURN, AND MORTI-
FIER'S TOMB; AND 1000 MERKS FOR MINISTERS'
STIPENDS.

30th November, 1663.

EXTRACT from the said George Davidson's Last Will " Item I appoyn特 the Soume of fyve hundred merkes to be stockit, in the hands of the master of mortified moneys of the brugh of Aberdeine, and the yeerlie anuel rent therof to be distribute amongst the poore of futtie yeerlie . . . as also I appoyn特 one hundred merks to be Stockit, in the hands of the maister of the kirk work of Aberdeine, and ordayne the yeerlie anuel rent therof to be employit for the upholding of the dyik of the kirk zearde of futtie, and the Bridge of Bogs burne, which I causit build, and for upholding of the said tomb, as neid sall be . . . Item to the Thesaurar of Aberdeine will fall be vertue of this mortificatione the yeeres rent of the cropt MVI^c and thrie Score thrie yeires, of the Lands of Pettannes and Bogfairlie, whilk, with the Soume of ane thousand merkes, I, be thir presents, assigns to the said Thesaurar, and appoyn特s the samen to be stockit, to mack upe ane principall Soume, and ordays the anuel rent therof to be a helpe to the minister's

Stipend, yeerlie, to serve in the toune of Abirdeine, conforme to my mortificatione of the lands of Pettanes and Bogfairlie ; and in caice the Toune of Aberdeine sall aggrie, at ane easie rate, with ane minister, I appoyn特 the said Thesaurar to imploy the said yeerlie anuel rent for the use of the decayed brethren of Gild."

Sums mortified—

To Poor of Footdee	500	merks	Scots,				
(now incorporated with Robert John-							
ston's,) or	-	-	-			£27	15
To Kirkyard Dyke of Futtie, Bridge of						1	6
Buxburn, and Tomb,	100	merks*	-			5	11
To a Minister	1000	merks	Scots, or	-		1	1

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE ROBERT CRUICKSHANK,
OF 2500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE USE OF DECAYED
FAMILIES OF BURGESSES, OR THEIR WIDOWS.

21st June, 1664.

EXCERPT from his last will, recorded in Council Register, Vol. liv. p. 605 :—" Item the said Robert Leaves the Soume of Tua thousand and fywe hundred merkes, Scots money, to be stockit in the hands of the Thesaurer of Aberdein, and his Successors, wherof he did apoynt the yeirlie ordinar anuel rent to be imployit be the council, and thesaurar, of the said burgh for the use of decayed families of bretheren of gild, within the said burgh, or ther relicts families, being alwayes widowes . . . dureing ther not mariadge, provyding alwayes that his kinsfolk, and relations, be alwayes preferrit therto befor all His own kin
to be preferred. wthers."

Sum mortified 2500 merks Scots, or - £138 17 9

* Note.—By Act of Council, dated 25th September, 1764, this Mortification was ordered to be incorporated with that for Ardo's Tomb. Council Register, vol. lxiii., folio 22.

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND
TOWN-COUNCIL OF ABERDEEN, OF 20 PUNDS SCOTS,
TO THE WORKMEN'S BOX.

23d May, 1666.

THE following note is copied from the Council Register, Vol. liv. page 681 :—“The said day, anent the supplicatione given in to the Counsell be the workmen, at the shore of this burgh, showing that they ware of Intentione to cause make ane Tim-
Master of Im- ber Box with Lockes and keyes, wherof the masters of Impost
post to have one of the keys to have on, and to contribute ane weeklie pennie therunto, for
of the box, ther helpe and supplie, when they should become auld and not
able to work, therfor humblie desyring the Counsell to approve
of the samen, and to grant them somthing of ther favour and
goodnes therunto, as in the supplicatione wes conteinit. The
Counsell, haveing hard and considerit the samen, approves of
the supplicants good intention, and ordaines the master of Im-
and to have a post to be keeper of ane of the keyes of the samen, and he to
voice in the distribution of have voce and consent of the distribution of the moneyes,
the Funds. belonging therunto, and, for better Incouragement, the Coun-
sell grants them Tuentie punds to begin the said box with.”

Sum mortified 20 punds Scots, or - £1 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM TOUX, BURGESS OF ABER-
DEEN, OF A SILVER CUP TO ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH.

4th September, 1667.

THE said day, Robert Cruikshank, elder, merchand burges of the said brugh, and Sone-in-law to the deceast William Toux, burges of the samen, produced and gave in to the Councell ane Silver Cupe, weyng elevin unce and thretteine drope, left and mortified be the said deceast William Toux for the use of Sanct Nicolas kirk of this brugh.

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER BLAIR, TAILOR IN
LONDON, OF 100 PUNDS TO THE POOR.

21st January, 1674.

THE following Excerpt is made from the Council Register, Vol. lv. page 550 :—" The said day, the magistrats signified to the Councell that they hadde receavit from the relict of Alexander Blair, Merchant Taylor in Londone, by her ordour, ane hundredth punds Scots money, which the said deceist Alexander, by his testament, left in legacie to the magistrats of Aberdine, to be distribute be them to the poore of the said brughe. The Councell recommends to the Magistrats, that they will caus ad the Summe to the moneyes of that mortificatione to the poore annexed to the hospitall charge, and the anuel rent therof to be employed for the use above exprest."

Sum mortified 100 pounds, or	-	£8 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY CHRISTIAN PEIRIE, OF 260 MERKS
SCOTS, TO DECAYED BRETHREN OF GUILD.

21st January, 1674.

THE said day, Christen Peirie, relict of the deceist James Robertsons, burges of Aberdein, mortified to the Gild Box ane Band of Thretteine Score merkes, and ordayneid the same to lye, whill it access to four hundredth merks; and the anuel rent of the said Soume to be distribute to indigent families of Brethren of Gild, the name of Robertsons being preferred.

Surname of
Robertson to
be preferred.

Sum mortified 260 merks Scots, or	-	£14 8 10
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN DUNCAN, LATE BAILLIE OF
 ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE KIRK
 SESSION.

1675.

JOHN DUNCAN, late Baillie of Aberdeen, did mortify to the kirk Session of the said Burgh five hundred merks Scots money, to be stocked upon bond, or otherwise, and the annual rent thereof to be distributed to indigent persons of the said Burgh, at the discretion of the Ministers and members of the same.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or -	£27 15 6
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MORTIFICATION BY JAMES MILNE, SENIOR, BURGESS OF
 ABERDEEN, OF 1500 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE SUP-
 PORT OF TWO DECAYED BURGESSES OF GUILD'S
 WIDOWS, OR UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS.

2d June, 1677.

Be it kend to all men, be thir presents, me James Milne, Elder, burges of Aberdein, and James Milne, younger, burges of the said burgh, my brother sone, and servant, . . . Have given granted mortified and Disponed to the Provost Baillies and Counsell of Aberdein, and ther Successors, All and Haill the Soume of fyftein hundred merks Scots money, to be employed be them, . . . upon land, band, or other sufficient security, and the anuel rents therof to be yeirly payed be the master of mortified moneyes of the said burgh, for mantinance and supplie of two decayed widows of deceast merchants, bretheren of gild

of the said burgh, or two aged unmarried women, daughters of brethren of Gild of the said burgh, dureing all the dayes of Widows and Virgins being always of chaste life, and not inclined to poprie ; They Popery; and alweyes reseeding in the burgh of Aberdein . . . and, heirby, I Residents of the Burgh. the said James Milne, Elder, nominat ordaine and appoint Council to be that the said provost baillies and Counsell of Aberdein and Patrons. ther Successors, . . . be patrons to this my present mortification, in all tyme comeing ; and that non be presentedherto, but of the quality and conditions forsaid. And ffarder I heirby will appoint and declare that, if any of my kinn, or the kinn His own kin, and the kin of of Elspet Donaldsone my Spouse, shall desyre the enjoyment his wife, to of the said benefite and mortificatione, that they be presented, have a prefer- befor all others, without competitione, and enjoy the sade bene- fice.

Sum mortified 1500 merks Scots, or - £83 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES MILNE, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF 2500 MERKS SCOTS, TO TWO BURSARS AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

16th June, 1677.

BE it kend to all men, be thir presents, Me James Milne, Elder, Merchant in Aberdein, and James Milne, Younger, burges of the said burgh, my brother-sone, and Servant, out of the zeall I cary to the glorie of God, increass of learneing, supplie of young boyes, whose parents are dead and have not means of ther oun for mantaineing themselves sufficiently therat, and out of the respect I carrie to the flourisheing of the Colledge Marischall of Aberdein, To have given granted mortified and disponed . . . All and Haill the Soume of twenty

fyve hundredth merks, Scots money, to be employed upon land, band, or other security sufficient, be the provest Baillies and Counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, . . . and the anuel rent therof to be yeirly employed and payed be the Master of Mortifications of the said burgh, for mantinance and entertain-

Bursary to be given for 4 years. ment of two Schollars, as burssars, in the said Colledge Marischall of Aberdeen, for the space of four yeires . . . and ffarder

I doe heirby nominat, ordaine, and appoint, that the saids provost baillies and Counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and

Council to be Patrons. ther Successors, . . . be patrons to this my present mortificatione, in all tyme comeing, and grant presentations to such as shall happen to be nominat and admitted to the said benefite, and that non be presented to the said benefite, but allenerlie

Bursars must be educated at Grammar School, of a good inclination, and sons of poor parents, or orphans. these that are qualified, and have learned ther courss in the grammar schooll, and are of ane good inclinatione and dispositione, and noewayes given to wickedness nor vyce, and those whose parents are poor and indigent, and not able to mantaine them at the said Colledge, or whose parents are dead, and have not means of ther own for mantaineing themselves sufficiently therat. Moreover I doe heirby will appoint and

His own kin, and the kin of his wife, to be preferred, ordaine that, if any of my own kinn, or the kinn of Elspet Donaldsone, my Spouse, shall desyre the enjoyment of the said benefite and mortificatione, that they be preferred, befor

and all others, without competitione, and enjoy the said benefite

To have these Bursaries for 1 year more, in order to study Theology, &c. above specified, and not only dureing the said four yeirs courss at the said Colledge, but also for ane yeir therafter, for studieing theologie, or any other sciences, as they shall think fitt ;

Albeit others, be vertue of this present mortificatione, are only to have the benefite therof, dureing the said four yeirs space allenerly as said is . . . and, lastlie, it is heirby speciallie provided and declared, that non of the forsaids bursars shall be obledged in payment to any of the masters or members of the said Colledge Marischall of any Stipend or Colledge fie,

Bursars to pay dureing the space above specifiet ; And if they shall pay any, only 10 merks Scots of fees yearly, either at Marischal or King's Col- but only in the Soume of ten merks, Scots money ; and if the legie.

Regents of the said Colledge shall not be content to accept of them, at the said rate, in that caice, I declaire that it shall be leisum to the saids patrons to present the saids bursars to be bursars of the King's Colledge of Old Aberdeen, they accep-
ting them at the said rate."

Sum mortified 2500 merks Scots, or - £138 17 9

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT CUMING, MERCHANT IN
ELGIN, OF 900 MERKS SCOTS, TO A BURSAR AT
MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

14th July, 1677.

I Robert Cuming, Merchant in Elgine, for certain good respects and considerations moveing Me, for the special favour I bear to the burgh of Aberdeen, and for the better flourishing of learning therein, Mortifies assigns and dispones to the Pro-
vest Baillies and Counsell of the said burgh, and their Success-
ors, for the use after specified, The soume of Nine hundered merks Scots money . . . which soume of Nine hundred merks I appoint and ordain to be Employed upon annuall rent, and sufficient security, untill the same make up Fourty pounds money of yearly annuall rent, and which annuall rent of Fourty pound I ordain to be payed, Be the patrons undernamed, to
ane Bursser in the Colledge Marischall of Aberdeen . . . of To a Bursar of
myn own kindred, desyreing the same, being found qualified, his own kin,
and faillieing of them to the name of Cuming, desyreing the but failing
same, being found qualified, and failleing of all, to burges Sones such, and the
of New Aberdeen, being also found qualified, for their Man- surname of
tainance and supply, as ane burssar in the said Colledge Cuming, to
Marischall, for the space of four years successiuelie ; and Nom- Sons of Bur-
inats and appoints the Provost Baillies and Counsell of Aber- gesses of New
Council to be
Patrons.

deen, and their successors, with the said Alexander Cuming, Patrons of the forsaid Mortification and assignation, Earnestly intreating and beseeching them to Manadge and Imploy the same, for the effect aboue exprest, and for no other intent or use, as they shall answer to God, at the great day of appearance.

Sum mortified 900 merks Scots, or - £50 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY ISSOBELL DONALDSONE, RELICT OF
THE DECEASED JOHN DUNCAN, LATE BAILLIE OF
ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BOX.

1st May, 1678.

THE said day, Gilbert Blacke, Baillie of Aberdene, and Thomas Cushnie, Deane of Gild of the samen, sones-in-law to the said Issobell, produced ane band of fyve hundred merks, granted be Francis Cheyne off Ardmurdoe, and patrick Cheyne his laufull Sone, to the said Issobell Donaldsone, her aires and assigneyes, whilks failieing, to the Boxmaster of the Gildrie of Aberdene, for the use and supplie of indigent widowes, and orphans, of poore decayed Burgesses of the said Burgh, that the anuel rent therof may be yeerlie, in tyme comeing, distribute be the Provest and Bailies of the said brugh, her neirest of
Her own kin to be preferred. kin to be preferred.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES LORIMER, MERCHANT IN
ABERDEEN, OF 300 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

9th July, 1679.

THE following Excerpt is copied from Vol. lvi. of the Council Register, page 414 :—"The said day, in presence of the Provest Baillies and Counsell, Compeired Robert Lorimer, Merchant in the said brughe, brother and executor testamentar to the deceist James Lorimer, Merchant in the same, and gave in to James Chalmer, master of the Hospitall of the said brughe, the Soume of thrie hundred merks, Scots money, left in legacie be the said deceist James Lorimer to the hospitall of the said brugh, for the use of the poor of the same."

Sum mortified 300 merks Scots, or -	£16 13 4
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN CLERK, IN FINTRAY, OF 100
MERKS SCOTS, TO THE SUPPORT OF THE BRIDGE
OF GOVELL.

20th September, 1682.

FOLLOWS Extract from the Council Register, Vol. lvii. page 9 :—"The said day, David Edie presented and gave in to the saids provest Baillies and Councill the Soume of ane hundred merks, Scots money, quich wes left and mortified be umquhill John Clerk in ffintray for upholding the bridge wpon the burn of Govell, as also tuo yeares anuel rent to be added to the Stock, for the effect forsaid."

Sum actually received 74 pounds, 13s. 4d.

Scots, or - - - -	£6 4 5
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MORTIFICATION BY ELSPET DONALDSON, WIDOW OF
 JAMES MILNE, SENIOR, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN, OF
 2800 MERKS SCOTS, TO WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

1st June, 1685.

“ At Aberdeen, In presens of the Provost Baillies and Counsell of the said Burgh, Compeared James Milne of Blairstown, merchant Burges of the same, and presented and gave in unto them ane of the articles of the deceast Elspet Donaldsone, relict of the deceast James Milne, merchant, burges of Aberdein, her testament and latter will, Bearing that she did leave and mortifie the Soume of Four thousand merks, Scots money, for the use and behalfe of three widows, and three orphant, within the said burgh of Aberdein, which she appointed to be payed to the Master of Mortifications of the said burgh, to the effect the anuel rent therof might be forth comeng, for the use above writen, at fourtie merks to each widow yeirly, and orphant Inhabitants, liveing in Aberdein; and appointed and ordained that the said James Milne of Blairstowne should be patron of the said Mortificatione, and after his deceass, the nearest of kinn and others, whom he should appoint in his oun tyme . . . Lykeas the said James Milne signified and held out to the saids provost baillies and Counsell, that albeit ther wes four thousand merks left and destinat be the said deceast Elspet Donaldsone, for the abovewritten effect, yet, after just computatione, ther did only fall due to the Master of Mortifications, of the forsaide legacie, the Soume of Two thousand and Eight hundred merks, Scots money, In regard the said umquhill Elspet Donaldsone hade left many more legacies then her moveable estate and fortune did extend to, and, sicklyke, the said James Milne signified and held forth to the saids provost baillies and Counsell, that, albeit he wes nominat patron be the said deceast Elspet Donaldsone, . . . That, nevertheles, seeing he hade power and libertie, be the said Testament,

4000 merks be-
queathed.

2800 merks
only realized.

granted to him in his oun lyfetyme, to nominat and appoint patrons therof, he wes most willing and desyreous, for certan good considerations, to devolve his said right of patronage of the said Mortificatione in favors of the Provost Baillies and Counsell, and, be thir presents, did devolve the samen in ^{Council to be} _{Patrons.} ther favors ; They haveing alwayes speciall regard to any persons he or his representatives shall recommend to them, either of widows, or orphant, to enjoy the said benefite ; They alwayes being of the kindred, or relations, of the said deceast ^{Kindred of the} Elspet Donaldsone, liveing within the said burgh. And lykewise ^{said Elspet} _{Donaldson} desyred that the said mortificatione of two thousand Eight ^{only to enjoy} _{this Mortifica-} hundredth merks, money forsaid, might lay dead, and that noe _{tion.} persone should be presented to enjoy the benefite therof, untill the same should accress to the Soume of three thousand merks, money forsaid, of Stock, and that therafter the same might be ^{As many or-} employed to alse many widows, and orphant, of the conditione ^{phans and wi-} _{dows to be sup-} and qualitie above mentioned, at fourtie merks, Scots money, ^{ported as the} funds allow ; to ilk ane of them, yeirly, as the Stock might extend to." ^{40 merks, year-} The Magistrates and Council agreed by their minute, dated ^{ly, being given} to each. 19th May, 1686, to accept the management of the above mortification, under and upon the conditions above specified.

Sum mortified 2800 merks Scots, or - £155 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN TURNER, MERCHANT IN DANTZIC, OF 400 MERKS, YEARLY, TO 4 BURSARS ; 200 MERKS, YEARLY, TO GUILD BOX ; 200 MERKS, YEARLY, TO GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL ; AND 150 MERKS, YEARLY, TO TRADES' HOSPITAL.

17th January, 1688.

I John Turner, now liveing in the City of Dantzig, . . . ordaine . . . my Trustees and Executors to pay Sixthly ; to the mantinance of four Schoallers at Marishall's Colledge, to every

one, yeirly, one hundredth marks; of this four the honorable
 Council to be
 Patrons of two
 Bursars, who
 shall be legiti-
 mate sons of
 honest and
 poor parents,
 &c. &c.

Magistrats and Counsell of Aberdein shall have the presenta-
 tione of two, and two to be presented be my aires and Suc-
 cessors, whom they shall please, conditionaly they be of honest
 parents, laufullie begottin, decayed, and not able to mantaine
 them at the Colledge; non to be admitted until they be tryed
 be the Ministers and professors, that they be found to be
 capable of learning. Seaventhly; to be payed, yeirly, tuo
 hundredth marks to decayed honest burgesses of Aberdein, or
 to ther widows, to be destribute to them according to the ma-
 gistrats and Counsell's directione, with consent of my aires and
 successores to everie thing mortified it be by them aprobat.
 Eighthly; to be payed, yeirly, for mantinance of two decayed
 burgesses to live in the Town's Hospitall, To everie ane of
 them ane hundredth marks; and for mantinance of two burges
 Craftsmen in the trads Hospitall, Seventie fyve marks to every
 on of them; all these premisses I desyre to be punctually ob-
 served, in all tymes comeing, and by law to be established.

Sums mortified—

To four Bursars 400 merks yearly, or	£22	4	5
To decayed Burgesses 200 merks Scots, yearly, or - - - - -	11	2	2
To Guild Brethren's Hospital do. do.	11	2	2
To Trades' Hospital 150 merks Scots, yearly, or - - - - -	8	6	8

MORTIFICATION BY PROVOST GEORGE LESLIE, OF 1000
 MERKS SCOTS, TO DECAYED BRETHREN OF GUILD.

22d June, 1692.

GEORGE LESLIE, late Provost of Aberdeen, mortified one
 thousand merks, which he appointed to accresce to one thou-

sand punds, Scots money, and appointed the anuel rent ther- His own kin
of to be bestowed upon the distressed Brethren of Gild (his and surname
oun Relations, and thereafter, those of his name being always
preferred), and appointed the magistrates of Aberdeen, and his His nearest
nearest heirs, to be conjunct Patrons of his said Mortification. heirs and Ma-
gistrates to be

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or - £55 11 1 Patrons.

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN FRASER, STUDENT OF DIVINITY, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A BURSAR AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

18th September, 1695.

“ BE it known to all men, by these present Letters, Me Mr. John Fraser, Student of Divinity in Aberdeen . . . to make my letter will and testament as follows ; and, first, I nominat and appoint Robert Cumming, Present Master of Mortifications of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and his successors, Masters of Mortifications of the said Burgh, my only Executors . . . and, sicklike, out of the zeal I have to the glory of God, Increase of learning, and supplie of young poor boyes, and out of the respect I bear to the burgh of Aberdeen, and flourishing of the Marischall College therin, I hereby Destinat, mortifie, and appoint, the sum of one thousand merks Scots money . . . to be employed upon land band or other sufficient security, Be the Provost Baillies and Counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and the annual rent therof to be yearly payed to the

1000 pounds to a Master of their Mortifications, for the mantainance of ane Scholar and Bursar at Marischal College, for 4 years.

and then I desire my saids Executers to pay ane hundered merks, Scots money, off the anual rents of the said sum of ane thousand merks to the Minister and Kirk-session of the parishen of Strathdone, called Invernoughtie, to be stocked be them and the annual rent therof payed yearly to the poor of the said Pariochen ; and after the said sum of ane hundered merks is payed, I destinat and appoint the annual rent of the forsaide sum of one thousand merks to be payed, yearly, to the said Master of Mortifications, for the mantinance and education of William Fraser, my Nephew, son to the Deceast Symon Fraser, in Collquhanie, my Brother, at schools, untill he be Qualified for the College ; and then the annual rent of the said Principall sum to be payed to him yearly, for four years, at the said College Marischall, and therafter, or in caise of the said William Fraser's Decease, before that time, or that he doe not apply himself to Learning, I appoint the annual rent of the said sum of ane thousand merks to be payed and applyed yearly, for the mantinance of ane Schoaller, or Bursar, at the said College Marischall of Aberdeen ; and farder I, be thir presents, nomin-

Council to be at and appoint and ordain the Provost Baillies and Counsel of Patrons.

the said Burgh to be sole Patrons of the foresaid Mortification to the said College Marischall of Aberdeen . . . and that non

be presented thereto, but those allenerly who are Qualified, and

Bursar must be inclined to learning, and poor.

are of ane good Disposition, and Incline to Learning, and no ways given to wickedness, or vice, and who are not able to mantaine themselves att the said College Marischall of Aberdeen.

His own kin and surname to be preferred.

And, sicklike, I hereby appoint my own nearest relations to be first preferred to the foresaid Benefice, at the said College,

without any Competition ; and failzing them, any of the name of Fraser, to enjoy the said Benefice for four years space, at the said College, and failzing both, *detur digniori.*"

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or - £55 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER GALLOWAY, SENIOR,
MERCHANT IN ABERDEEN, OF 226 PUNDS 13S. 4D.
SCOTS TO POOR WIDOWS.

17th February, 1700.

IN the accounts of the master of Mortifications for the year 1718, there is the following entry :—“ Imprimis, the Compter charges himselfe with the Sowme of two hundredth twenty Six pund, thirtein shilling, two pennyes, Scots money, receaved from Baillie Cattanach, and the other Trustees and Managers of Ludquharn’s effects, and which Sowm is to continue, as a mortification, apart by it selfe, untill it access to the Sowme of fyve hundredth merks, being the first Sowme mortified, and To be added to then it is to be annexed to the Lady Drum’s mortification to Lady Drum’s widows ; 226 pounds 13s. 2d. Scots,” or - £18 17 9 Mortification.

MORTIFICATION BY ISOBEL COLLIE, OR BARTLET, OF 400 PUNDS TO THE GUILD BOX.

13th January, 1701.

I Isobell Collie, relict of the deceast James Bartlett, merchant in Aberdeen, have left and bequeathed, to the Dean of Gild box of the burgh of Aberdeen, the sowme of four hundreded pund 400 pounds to Scots money, which I appoynt To be stocked and secured, by the advice and oversight of John Ross, Baillie of Aberdeen, my Executor, for the end after mentioned ; and ordains the annuall rent of the said sowme to be payed and delivered

yearlie to Elspet Anderson, indweller in Aberdeen, daughter to the deceast John Anderson, sometyme in Forgeland, dureing all the days of her lyfetyme" . . . and "to be payed yearlie, after the deceas of the said Elspet Anderson, to any necessitous burges of Gild, and his familie, for ther better mantinance and support, and that by the advice and oversight of the said John Ross, my Executor; any friends and relations of my owne, being inhabitants within the towne of Aberdein, and being burgers of Gild, being always preferred.

Relations of
Mortifier,
being inhabi-
tants of Aber-
deen, to be pre-
ferred.

Sum mortified 400 pounds, or - £33 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS BURNETT, MERCHANT IN
ABERDEEN, OF 3000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BOX; 500 MERKS TO THE POOR; AND 200 MERKS
TO THE SEAMAN'S BOX.

1st April, 1704.

BE It Knownen to all men, by these present Letters, Me Thomas Burnett Merchant in Aberdeen, to . . . legat and leave to the Gild box of the said burgh of Aberdeen the soume of three thousand merks, Scots money, which I appoint my saids executors to pay in to the Dean of Gild of the same burgh; and I ordain the yearly annuall rent therof to be payed, to-

To decayed
Guild Burges-
ses, or their
widows, his
own kin hav-
ing always a
preference.
Council, &c., to
be Patrons.

wards the mantainance of ane or moe decayed bretheren of Gild of Aberdeen, or ther widowes, as the Patrones after named shall think expedient, My friends and relationes being always preferable, to all others; and I nominat and appoint the Provost baillies and counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, for the tyme being, and the said Patrick Gellie, and John Burnet, elder, merchant in Aberdeen, my brother, and ther airs male, to be Patrones of this my mortificatione imediatlie above specifiet. Item I leave to the Kirk Session of the said burgh of

Aberdein the soume of Fyve Hundreth merks, which I appoint to be sufficiently stocked, and the annuall rent therof to be payed yearly towards the mantainance of the poor of the said burgh. Item I hereby leave to the seamans box of the said burgh two hundred merks, Scots money, which, with the soume of ane hundred merks, formerlie left be me therto, I appoint to be stocked, and the annuall rent therof to be payed yearlie to decayed seamen, or ther widowes."

Sums mortified—

To Guild Box 3000 merks Scots, or	-	£166	13	4
To Poor 500 merks Scots, or -	-	27	15	$6\frac{2}{3}$
To Seaman's Box 200 merks, or	-	11	2	$2\frac{2}{3}$
		£205	11	$1\frac{1}{3}$

MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS LESLIE, MERCHANT IN
DANTZIC, OF 2400 MERKS SCOTS, TO DECAYED
GUILD BURGESSES, THEIR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

8th January, 1707.

BE it knowne to all men, be thir present Letters, Me Thomas Leslie, Merchant in Dantzick, ffor the zeall I bear to the glory of God, charitable inclinatione I have towards the supplie of vertuos and religious indigent persons, and out of the respect and kyndnes I bear to the city of Aberdeen, the place of my Nativity, and wherein my father and ancestors have been in the most honourable offices of the magistracy, to the great satisfaction of the city, to have Mortified and Doted . . . the sowme of two thousand and four hundereth merks Scots money ;

and appoynts the same to lay in the hands of John Douglas, present Dean of Gild of Aberdeen, . . . and his successors, Deans of Gild of Aberdeen, untill the same access to two thousand and fyve hundereth merks, money forsaide, and therafter to be employed and secured Be the Provost Baillies and Counsell of the burgh of Aberdeen, upon Land, bond, or other sufficient security, and the yearly annuall rent thereof to be disposed of, to the charitable usses after mentioned, To witt ; the Sowme of Thirty pund Scots, as a pairt of the annuall rent of the said sowme of two thousand and fyve hundereth merks, to be payed to (by ?) the said Dean of Gild, and his Successors, Deans of Gild of Aberdeen, to George Meldrum Late of Auchinhoof, my relation, yearlie dureing his Lyfetyme, and the superplus of the annuall rent of the said principall sowme, dureing the said George Meldrum his lyfe, and the whole

His own kin or surname, being Protestants sober and religi- gious, to have the preference.

annuall rent thereof, after his death, to be disposed of to in- surgent persons, who are of my Kindred, or of the name of Leslie, (they being always personnes of the reformed protestant Religion, sober, religious, and who diligently attends the

publick worship and ordinances of God), and faillieing of these,

to decayed brethren of Gild of the said burgh of Aberdeen,

or to ther widdowes or orphans. The annuall-rent of the

which principall sowme is to be disposed of, yearly, for the

Council to be Patrons.

usses above specifiet, By the Provost Baillies and Counsell of

the said burgh of Aberdeen, with advyce and consent of Thomas

Mitchell, Late Provost of Aberdeen, and Thomas Leslie of

Colpnay Sheells, my Nephew, . . . and the forsaide Mortifica-

tion is to be a pairt of the Dean of Gilds charge, commonly

To be annexed called the Gild box, and is to be keepeed distinct by it selfe and

to Guild Box, but still to be designed in the Dean of Gilds Books, THOMAS LESLIE, MER-

kept distinct. CHANT IN DANTZICK, HIS MORTIFICATIONE.

Sum mortified 2400 merks Scots, or -

£133 6 8

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER PYPER, DEAN OF GUILD,
OF 800 PUNDS TO THE GUILD BOX; 500 MERKS TO
THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL; AND 500
MERKS TO THE POOR.

20th June, 1707.

“ BE it knowne to all men, be thir present letters, Me Alexander Pyper, late Deane of Gild of Aberdeen, to have left and bequeathed to the Gild Box of the said Burgh of Aberdeen the Sowme of Eight hundereth pund, Scots money, which I appoyn特 to be stocked, and secured in sufficient responsall debtors hands, and the anuel rent thereof to be payed, yearly, to any honest decayed burges of Gild of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and his wife and family, whom the Provost Baillies and Coun-
sell of the Burgh of Aberdeen shall nominat and present, from
tym to tyme. Item I hereby leave fyve hundereth merks to
the Gild Brethren's Hospitall of Aberdeen; and fyve hundereth
merks to the poor of the Kirk Session of the said burgh.”

Council to be
Patrons.

Sums mortified—

To Guild Box 800 punds, or	-	£66	13	4
To Guild Brethren's Hospitall 500 merks, or		27	15	6
To General Poor 500 merks, or	-	27	15	6
		£122	4	4

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE GRAY, MERCHANT IN ABER-
DEEN, AND MARJORIE LESLIE, HIS SPOUSE, OF 500
MERKS SCOTS, TO A DECAYED BURGESS OF GUILD,
HIS WIDOW OR CHILDREN.

13th November, 1707.

EXCERPT from a Contract betwixt the saids parties:—“ Lykeas
it is hereby specially provyded and declared that the Surviver,

and his or her foresaids, shall be obliged to pay, out of the first and readiest of the goods, gear, and others, above disponed, . . . the Sowme of fyve hundereth merks Scots money to the Master of Mortifications of the burgh of Aberdeen, to be stocked, and the anuel rent to be payed to a decayed burger of the burgh of Aberdein, or his Relict, or Children, any of the name of Gray, being first preferred, and in the second place any of the Relations of the said Marjorie Leslie . . . and the magistrats and Counsell to be patrons therof."

Surname of Gray, and relations of the said Marjorie Leslie, to be preferred. Council to be Patrons.

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN DAVIDSON, MERCHANT IN
ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD
BOX.

10th June, 1709.

THE following Extract is taken from the Guildry accounts for the years 1708-9:—"Charge of the mortificatione be John Davidson, Merchant in Aberdeen, of one thousand merks for the use and behoofe of the poor and decayed brethren of Gild The kin of the mortifier and his spouse, and their surnames, to be preferred. of the said Burgh, (of which those who are or may be blood relations to the mortifier and Christian Smith his Spouse, and faillieing thereof, such poor and indigent brethren of gild as are or may be of the name of the mortifier, or his said Spouse, being always preferable upon ther applicatione), and the anuel rent of which, dureing the mortifiers lyfetyme, is to be payed in to him, and therafter to be distribut upon poor and decayed brethren of Gild, of the quality forsaid, by the magistrats and Town Counsell, who are absolute patrons."

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or £55 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM HAY OF BALBITHAN, OF
100 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
HOSPITAL.

26th July, 1709.

THE following Extract is made from Council Register, Vol. lviii. page 158 :—" The said day, the Counsell appoyns the Thesaurer to grant bond to the Master of Hospital for one hundereth merks, receaved be him, as Wm. Hay of Balbithan his Mortificatione ; and the said sowme to remain in the Thesaurer's hands, for twenty years after Whitsunday Last, untill it access to the sowme appoyned by the said Mortification, and therafter to be imployed in the terms of the said Mortification." On referring to the Accounts, it is stated, that the Mortifier desired the above sum to accumulate for 20 years, and the principal, at the end of that period, to be lent out at Interest for the purposes of the Hospital. In 1729 it had been doubled, and was added to the Hospital Funds, as ordered.

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT CRUICKSHANK OF BANCHORY,
OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A DECAYED BURGESS OF
GUILD, HIS WIFE, WIDOW, OR CHILDREN.

18th March, 1715.

BE it knownen to all men, by these present Letters, Me Robert Cruikshank of Banchorie, late Provost of Aberdeen, Forasmuch as I, by my disposition and assignation, subscrived with my hand, of the date of thir presents, have sold assignd and

disponed To Robert Abercromby, present Dean of Gild of Aberdeen, and his successors in office, for the use of the Gild Box of the said burgh, the sum of ane thousand Merks Scots money, with annuall rent and faillie effeiring thereto, . . . Therfore I ordain the said Robert Abercromby, and his successors, Deans of Gild of the said burgh of Aberdeen, how soon the said sum of one thousand merks is payed in to him or them, to cause stock and secure the same sufficiently, in any responsal persons hands, upon Interest, be advice of the Provost Baillies and Counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, untill the said sum of one thousand merks, with the annual rent thereof, accresce to the sum of one thousand pounds, Scots money, and therafter I appoint and ordain the annuall rent of the said sum of one thousand pounds to be payed yearly, in all time coming, towards the mantainance of ane decayed burges of gild of the said burgh, and his wife, or the relict, or children, of Burgers of Gild of the said burgh, or a Burger of Gild, His own kin, albeit never married, or a widower for the time ; My own re-
and surname
to be preferred. lations, or any of the name of Cruikshank, of the quality aforesaid, being always preferred to all others ; and I hereby nominate constitute and appoint the Provost Baillies and Counsell to be
Patrons. sell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and their successors, To be perpetual Patrons and administrators of the forsaid Mortification.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or	-	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE BETTIE OF BERVIE, OF 300
MERKS SCOTS, TO THE SUPPORT OF THE BRIDGE
OF BERVIE.

19th July, 1717.

THE following is an Excerpt from Council Register, Vol. lviii.
p. 544 :—" The said day, It was represented to the Counsell,

that William Bettie, late Baillie of Bervie, and now resideing in Montrose, wes to leave three hundred merks, Scots money, to help to maintaine the Bridge of Bervie, provydeing the Counsell of Aberdeen would accept thereof, and make use of the same, for that end. Which being considered be the said Counsell, they declared they were willing to accept of the for-said soume, for the use above mentioned, and allowed John Allardes, late Provost, to intimat so much to the said William Bettie."

Sum mortified 300 merks Scots, or - £16 13 4

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE CUMING, OF 1000 MERKS
SCOTS, TO A BURGESS OF GUILD'S WIDOW.

23d November, 1717.

BE it knowne To all men, by these present Letters, Me Robert Cuming, late Baillie of Aberdein, . . . hereby mortifie the sowme of one thousand merks, Scots money, which I appoynt my Executrix to pay in to the Master of Mortifications of the burgh of Aberdein, and I ordaine the annuall-rent thereof, within year and day after my death, to be payed yearly to Margaret Black, my sister-in-law, dureing her lyfetym, and viduity, and after her death, or marriage, the annuall rent of the forsaid principall sowm to be payed yeirly, in all tyme comeing, to a decayed burger of Gilds widdow of the said burgh of Aberdein, my own or wifes relations being always preferred therto, befor any others ; and I, be thir presents, Make and Constitute the Provost Baillies and Counsell of Aberdeen, for the tym being, perpetuall patrons and administrators of this my Mortification.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or £55 11 1

His own and
his wife's rela-
tions to be pre-
ferred.

Council to be
Patrons.

MORTIFICATION BY THE PROVOST, BAILLIES, AND TOWN
COUNCIL OF ABERDEEN, OF 870 PUNDS SCOTS, TO
PERSONS DEPRIVED OF THE USE OF THEIR REASON.

16th April, 1718.

THE following Extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. Iviii. page 591 :—"The said day, it being represented by the Master of Mortifications that, some years agoe, severall pious disposed gentlemen had voluntarily oblidged themselves to pay some money for a mortification, toward the mantaining of persons depryved of the use of their reasone, within this burghe," and that "it was agreed that the magistrates and Counsell should annex thereto the Leper's Croft, which is now sold for Eight hundred and Seventy pounds Scots money, . . . Therfor, and in respect ther are now no lepers within Scotland, the saids Magistrates and Counsell Unanimously mortified the said Sowme of Eight hundred and Seventy pund"—to the foresaid purpose, and appointed the master of Guild Brethren's Hospital, who had received, for many years, the proceeds of the said Croft for the benefit of the Hospital, to pay the said Sum, so obtained by the sale of the said Croft, to the Master of Mortifications, to be applied for the purpose

If no insane persons within the Burgh, the Magistrates to have the power of applying this fund for the benefit of the poor. aforesaid,—"with this provision and condition, that, if ther be no such persons within this Burgh, as are objects of the said mortification yearlie, That then it shall be alwayes leissome to the Magistrats and Counsell to dispose upon the anuel rent of the said Eight hundred and Seventy pund to poor and indigent persons within this burgh, as they shall see causs."

Sum mortified 870 pounds Scots, or - £72 10 0

By Act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was handed over to the Infirmary. Council Register, Vol. Ix. p. 687.

MORTIFICATION BY PROVOST THOMAS MITCHELL, OF
1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
HOSPITAL, AND 500 MERKS TO THE GENERAL POOR.

12th December, 1718.

BE it knowne to all men, be thir present letters, Me Thomas Mitchell, late Provost of Aberdeen, To have appoynted Thomas Mitchell, my son, to pay to the Master of the Gild Brethren's Hospitall of Aberdeen the Sume of one thousand merks, Scots money, for the use of the Beidmen of the said Hospitall ; and also to pay to the Collector of the Kirk Session of the said Burgh the Sume of fyve hundered merks, Scots money, for the use of the poor of the said burgh.

Sums mortified—

To Guild Brethren's Hospital 1000		
merks Scots, or	- - -	£55 11 1
To General Poor 500 merks Scots, or -		27 15 6

MORTIFICATION BY ANDREW RITCHIE OF FORESTERHILL,
OF 1000 FUNDS TO WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, AND
FOR THE EDUCATION OF POOR BOYS AT FORES-
TERHILL.

3d March, 1719.

I Andrew Ritchie of Forresterhill, merchant in Aberdeen, for certain onerous causes and considerations moveing me, . . . doe hereby bind and oblige me my heirs executors or assig-

neyes all and haill the sum of ane Thousand pound Scots money . . . likeways I ordain the annual rent hereof for widows, or orphans, here, and poor boys in Forresterhill, for their Education at schooll, especially if any of my friends, or His own and any of my name, or any of my first or present wifes friends, wifes' kin and surnames to be or any of either of their names, need, I doe hereby declare preferred. they may be preferred to any.

Sum mortified 1000 pounds, or	-	£83 6 8
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MORTIFICATION BY JAMES BYRES, MERCHANT IN ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE GUILD BOX.

Circa annum, 1720.

JAMES BYRES, merchant in Aberdeen, and Isobel Midleton, his spouse, mortified one thousand merks Scots money to the Gild Box, for the maintenance of Burgers of Gild, their wifes, and children.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or	-	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY MRS. AGNES DIVVIE (DURIE?) OR THOMSON, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A BURGESS OF GUILD'S WIDOW, OR AGED DAUGHTER.

8th June, 1721.

BE it Known to all men, by these present Letters, Me Agnes Divvie, Relict of the deceasd Andrew Thomson Advocat in

Aberdeen, out of the zeall I bear to the Glory of God, and charitable Inclination I have (according to my small ability), toward the supply of widows, and virgines, of the Quality after specifiet, within the said burgh of Aberdeen, where I was born, educat, and lived most pairet of my life, to have destinat, mortified, and appointed . . . all and haill the sowme of one thousand merks, Scots money, for the pious use after mentioned, which sume I have caused pay in, at the terme of . . . last bypast, to the Master of Mortifications of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and am to get his oblidgement for paying me the annuall rent thereof, dureing my lifetime, from and after the said terme of . . . last, and to employ the said sowme in manner after exprest, after my deceass ; and I doe hereby destinat and appoint the said principall sowme of one thousand merks to be Employed and stocked in the hands of the Thesaurer of the said burgh of Aberdeen, or upon other good and sufficient security, by the Provost Baillies and Counsell of the said Burgh, and the annuall rent thereof, from and after the first terme of Whitsunday, or Martimass nixt and Immediately following my deceass, to be employed and payed perpetually, in all time therafter, by the Master of Mortifications of the said burgh, for the time, . . . towards the mantainance and To a pious sober widow, or aged daughter, of a Burgess of Guild, a resident in Lady Drum's Hospital.
 intertaintment of one Indigent Widow, being the Relict of a burges of Gild or one old Indigent Virgin, the Daughter of a Burges of Gild of the said burgh, and both being alwayes persons of pious and sober lives and Conversations, and who are to reside in the Lady Drum's Hospitall, within the said burgh, My own and Husbands relations being still preferable to all others. And I by these presents nominat and appoint the saids Provost Baillies and Counsell of the said burgh of Aberdeen, and ther successors in office, to be perpetuall patrons of Council to be Her own and husband's kin being preferred. Patrons.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or -
 (Vide Lady Drum's Mortification).

£55 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY REV. WILLIAM LORIMER OF LONDON, OF £120 STERLING TO A BURSAR AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE, AND OF £20 TO THE POOR.

4th January, 1722.

“ ATT Aberdeen, the fourth day of Aprile one thousand six hundred and ninty four years, In presence of the Provost, Baillies of the said Burgh, The Said Day, The Magistrats and Counsell takeing to their consideration That Mr. William Lorimer, Minister of the Gospell, at London, out of the zeall he had to the glory of God, good of his Church, and increase of Learning, and out of the respect he had to the flourishing of the Colledge Marischall in the said burgh, Had mortifieth destinat and appointed the soume of Eighteen hundred Merks, usuall Scots money, to be secured in the hands of the Thesaurer of the said burgh of Aberdeen, for the uses after specified, viz.:—That the said Thesaurer should grant bond for payment yearly to the said Mr. William Lorimer, or his order, of the soume of seventy two pounds, Scots money, dureing his Lifetime, att Whitsunday yearly, and that att and after the deceass of the said Mr. William Lorimer, the said Thesaurer of Aberdeen shall be obliged to make furthcoming the ordinary annuall rent and profite of the said soume of Eighteen hundred merks, conform to the Law of Scotland, yearly, for

To a Bursar at Marischal Col-
lege, for 4 years, and for 2 years there-
after, until he be fit for the
service of the Church.

Marischall of Aberdeen, for four years, Untill he take his de-
grees of Master of Arts, and two years thereafter in the said
Colledge, Untill he be more fitt for publict service in the
Church, and that thereafter the said Benefice shall pass to
another, after the same manner, in all time coming, which
burssers are to be chosen and named be the Magistrats and

Council to be
Patrons.

Counsell of the said burgh, who are declaired absolute and
sole patrons of the said Mortification. Likeas the said Mr.
William Lorimer, In anno One thousand seven hundred and

three years, Mortified further, for the pious uses above mentioned, the soume of twenty pound sterlinc, which he payed in to the then present Thesaurer, who was appointed to grant Bond for twelve pound Scots yearly, as the annuall rent of the said twenty pound Sterling, to be payed to the said Master William Lorimer, dureing his Lifetime, after Whitsunday One thousand seven hundred and three years."

THE following Extract is made from the said William Lorimer's last will and testament:—"Thirdly I give and bequeath to the poor of the Royall burgh of Aberdeen in North Britain the soume of twenty pounds sterlinc, which I committ to the care and trust of the Magistrats and Counsell of Aberdeen, and I desire that they add it to their poors stock and Improve it for their good, as they in their wisdom shall think fitt" . . . The following clause relates to the Bursary . . . " It is likewise my desire that the Magistrats and Counsell of Aberdeen, aforesaid, being long ago in possession of the said One hundered and twenty pounds sterlinc, and being ordained absolute and sole patrons and disposers of the said mortification of one hundered and twenty pound Sterling, for the use before mentioned, they would let some of my Relations, who are pious, and have a Genius for learning, have the use and benefite of it before any other; But, faillieing any of them, that, in that case, It should be wholly in the power of the said Magistrats and Counsell of Aberdeen to Choose and name to it any of the tounes children of Aberdeen aforsaid, for whom it shall be desired, provided that they be serious and pious youths, and, upon examination and tryal, found most Capable of being usefull to Christ's Church in North Britain, when, through the Blessing of God on their studies, they shall be furnish'd with a stock of learning. As for my Books, they are not very considerable, for many of them were taken by the French, in time of War, and carried to Dunkirk, and I could never recover them, nor my Manuscripts, which were taken with them, But such as I have, and have purchased since, and some of them are truely valueable, I intend, if the Lord will, to give some order to my

His own kin
to be preferred,
failing whom,
town's chil-
dren.

Bursars to be
pious, and
found capable
for the Church.

Books to Ma-
rischal College.

said Executors concerning the disposition of them ; and, principally, such as are fitt and proper to promote Academicall Learning, I give to the Marischall Colledge of Aberdeen, where I had my Education."

Sums mortified—

To Bursars - - - - -	£120 0 0
To Poor, (now incorporated with Robert Johnston's Mortification,) - - -	20 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN GREIG, BURGESS OF ABERDEEN,
OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, TO PERSONS DEPRIVED OF
THE USE OF THEIR REASON.

16th December, 1725.

THE following Extract is made from Council Register, Vol. lix. page 214 :—" The said Day, Charles Copland, Master of mortifications of Aberdeen, represented that the now deceast John Greig, merchant burges of Aberdeen, be his later will and testament, of the date the twenty seventh day of Aprile, 1724 years, . . . among the other Legacies, therein mentioned, did mortifie and bequeath to the magistrats and town Counsell of Aberdeen the sum of Five hundred merks to be Employed be them for the use and benefite of People deprived of their Judgement."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

By Act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was handed over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, Vol. ix. p. 687.)

MORTIFICATION BY THE REVEREND GILBERT RAMSAY,
OF BARBADOES, OF £5200 STERLING TO THE PUR-
POSES AFTER SPECIFIED.

21st February, 1727.

THE following Excerpt is copied from the Council Register, vol. lix., page 413. " I Give and bequeath the Sum of Four thousand Eight hundred pounds Sterling to the Corporation of the City of New Aberdeen, in North Britain, that is to say, to the Provost, Baillies, Town Council, and Governing Members of the same city, in trust, to be by them, and their Successors, laid out in the purchase of lands, in fee simple, lying as near to the said City of New Aberdeen, as can conveniently be purchased, and in trust, in the meantime, until such purchase shall be made, to manage and Dispose of the said Four Thousand Eight hundred pounds at Interest, and in trust to pay and apply the Interest thereof, and also the Rents, Issues, and Profits, of the Lands, after such purchase shall be made, as aforesaid yearly, to and upon the several Trusts, Intents, and Purchases, herein after Declared, that is to say, the yearly Rent Interest or Income of One Thousand Pounds Sterling, . . . to be a constant standing yearly Sallary, for ever, to a pious, learned, well qualified Professor of the Hebrew, Arabick, and Oriental Languages, in the Marischall College of the said City of New Aberdeen, for the advancement of true learning, to the Glory of God, and good of his Church ; and my will is, that the said Professor be impartially Elected, out of the most deserving and best Qualified Linguists, and placed in the said College, on this my Foundation, as soon as the money shall be received for the same ; and the Sallary be yearly duly paid to him, and his Successors, on this my Foundation for ever by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen aforesaid. ITEM, I give the

Money to be
laid out on
lands adjacent
to Aberdeen.

Interest of
£1000 to a Pro-
fessor of He-
brew, &c.

Professor shall
be elected out
of the best Lin-
guists.

Interest of £2000 to 4 Bursars in Divinity.

yearly Rent Interest or Income of Two thousand Pounds Sterling . . . to be a constant standing yearly Pension for ever, to four hopefull deserving young Schollars, Masters of Art, Students of Divinity, which four Students of Divinity, consonably Elected, I order shall be placed in the said Marischall College of New Aberdeen, to pursue dilligently their Theologicall Studies there, for the Service of the Church, immediately after Receipt of the money, hereby appointed for their yearly Pension, and each of them, the said Schollars, and their Successors, duely Elected and placed Students of Divinity, on this my Foundation, for that Holy end, shall, be this my will, be Paid yearly, by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen aforesaid, for ever, one whole fourth part of the yearly Rent Interest or

Bursars shall receive their Bursaries for 3 years only, and shall reside at College 6 months of every year. Income of the said Two thousand Pounds Sterling, for the term of three years, and no longer, and my will and desire also is, that every one of the said Students of Divinity, enjoying this my Pension, shall Reside at the College six Months, at least, every year of the said three years, diligently following his or their Theologicall Studies there, and that, after the expiration of the said term of three years, he shall remove and

After 3 years, Bursars shall enter holy orders. go into Holy orders for the Service of the Church, that another well qualified Student in Divinity may succeed him, to this my Donation, and so successfully* for ever. ITEM, I bequeath the yearly Rent Interest or Income of the sum of Eight hundred Pounds Sterling, to be for ever an addition to a perpetual standing Pension, heretofore by me settled by Deed of

Mortification, dated, at Barbadoes, on or about the Twenty fourth day of June, one Thousand Seven hundred and fourteen, upon four hopeful young Schollars called Bursars, for ever, to be Educated in the knowledge of the Greek tongue and Philosophy, in the said Marischall College of New Aberdeen, during the space of four years, and no longer, the which addition to the said yearly Pension, heretofore by me Settled, I hereby order to be paid to, and equally divided, yearly, among the said four Schollars called Bursars, for ever, for their better mantainance by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen afore-

Interest of £300, in addition to £400 formerly mortified, to be given to 4 Bursars in Arts.

fourth day of June, one Thousand Seven hundred and fourteen, upon four hopeful young Schollars called Bursars, for ever, to be Educated in the knowledge of the Greek tongue and Philosophy, in the said Marischall College of New Aberdeen, during the space of four years, and no longer, the which addition to the said yearly Pension, heretofore by me Settled, I hereby order to be paid to, and equally divided, yearly, among the said four Schollars called Bursars, for ever, for their better mantainance by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen afore-

said for ever, and my will is that, if any of these four hopefull young Schollars, who have enjoyed any Pension, for the appointed time of four years, Limited in my said Deed of Mortification, at the study of the Greek Tongue and Philosophy, and behaved themselves well, shall apply themselves to the Study of Divinity, and taken the Degree of Master of Arts, His own Bursars having taken the degree of A.M. to be preferred to his Divinity Bursaries.

they shall be Elected to my said Pension for the study of Divinity, before others, *ceteris paribus*, and, failing them, I give it to the most deserving absolutely ; and, my will is that the said four Schollars shall enjoy the priviledge of wearing Red Gowns as other Schollars of the same College usually do. ITEM, I give the yearly Rent Interest or Income of the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, . . . to be a constant standing yearly Sallary, for ever, to a Pious Prudent and experienced Schoolmaster, well qualified to instruct the youth of the Parish of Birse, in the Shire of Aberdeen, North Britain, (the Place of my Nativity) in the principles of Religion, to read and write English, and to understand the Greek and Latin, and this he shall be obliged to do, without any other reward for his pains, but the Salary appointed to be paid him yearly as aforesaid ; and I hereby order that the yearly Salary be duely paid him, and his Successors, Schoolmasters on this my Foundation for ever, by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen aforesaid for ever ; but my will is, before the Election of the said Schoolmaster, the yearly Rent Interest or Income of this Five hundred Pounds Sterling be first carefully applied, by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen, to the Building a Schoolhouse in the most convenient place of the said Parish of Birse, for Instructing the youth thereof as aforesaid, and, immediately after the said Schoolhouse is built, the said Schoolmaster is to be Elected and Placed in it, and his Salary to be duly paid him, and his Successors, for ever, as aforesaid. ITEM, I give the yearly Rent Interest or Income of Five hundred Pounds, . . . secured as aforesaid, to be for ever paid, by the said Corporation of New Aberdeen, to the order of the Reverend Minister and Elders of the said Parish of Birse, in the said Shire of Aberdeen, in trust for ever, by them Constitutionally and Impartially distributed, yearly, among the Poor

£500 to a Schoolmaster at Birse.

£500 to Poor of Birse, which shall be distributed by the Kirk Session.

of the said Parish of Birse, I mean among the greatest objects of charity in it, in manner following, that is to say, one moyetie or Half Part thereof on the first Monday . . . of January, every year, and the other Moiety or Half Part thereof on the first Monday in the Month of July, in every year, for ever. And I give devise and bequeath the Patronage and Right of Presentation to all the aforesaid Salaries, Pensions, and Donations payable out of the said Interest or Income of the said Four Thousand and Eight hundred Pounds, and out of the Rents Issues and Profits of the Lands, to be purchased therewith, as aforesaid, with full Power of Authority to see and cause the due and faithful execution of all and every trust, and things herein before expressed, . . . concerning the same, to my

Patronage
given to Ram-
says of Bal-
main.

Failing whom
to the Corpora-
tion of New
Aberdeen.

£400 to 4 Bur-
sars in Philo-
sophy.

Ramsays of
Balmain to be
Patrons, fail-
ing whom, the
Principal and
Regents of the
College.

Each Bursar
to have the In-
terest of £100.

His own kin, ordained—"that those of the name of Ramsay, if anywise com-
surname, &c, petently qualified, shall be preferred, . . . before all others, . . .
ence.

Honored Cousin, Sir Alexander Ramsay Barronet, Laird of Balmain, in the Shire of Kincardine, in North Britain, and to the Lairds of Balmain of the name of Ramsay, for ever; and failing them, I give the said Patronage and Right of Presentation to the said Corporation of New Aberdeen, and their Successors for ever." By the other deed which is referred to in this one, and which is dated, 24th June, 1714, Mr. Ramsay mortified Four hundred Pounds Sterling—"to be applied for the mantainance and good Education of four Students of Philosophy"—in the Marischal Colledge of Aberdeen; which sum was to be secured on land, near the town of Aberdeen. Farther,

it was appointed—"that Sir Alexander Ramsay of Balmain, . . . his heirs and Successors, of the name of Ramsay, should be constant Patrons of the said . . . Bursarys, and failing of them, the Principall and Regents of the said College; with full power to the Patrone . . . to nominat . . . four youths, whom they shall think best qualified, to the foresaid four benefices, . . . each one of the saids four youths to enjoy the yearly annual

rent of one hundred Pounds Sterling, or any such profit or interest, as may arise from the said sums, . . . and that during the space of four years, in Greek and Philosophy, . . . they always behaving themselves virtuously." He also appointed and

and failing of one of the name of Ramsay, . . . then one born in the Parish of Birse is next to be preferred, . . . if competently qualified." Farther he appointed his own kindred and name to be always preferred.

Sums mortified, £4800 and £400,	-	£5200 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS FINNIE, MERCHANT IN DUBLIN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE BEHOOF OF DISTEMPERED PERSONS.

19th January, 1733.

THE following Extract is copied from the Council Register, Vol. ix. p. 314:—"The said day, it being represented that the now deceast Thomas Finnie, late merchant in Dublin, and thereafter Residenter in Aberdeen, had by his latter will and Testament dated" as above "appointed James Finnie, merchant in Aberdeen, his Executor, to pay to the managers of the Fund for support of distempered persons in Aberdeen the Sum of one thousand merks Scots;"—the Council appointed the Master of Mortifications to receive the said Sum, and to grant Discharge therefor.

Sum mortified 1000 merks Scots, or	£55 11 1
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By Act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was handed over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, Vol. ix. p. 687.)

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER WILLIAMSON, SON TO
THE DECEASED WILLIAMSON, BAKER IN
ABERDEEN, OF 100 MERKS SCOTS, FOR BUYING
BOOKS TO POOR SCHOLARS AT THE GRAMMAR
SCHOOL.

20th December, 1733.

THE following Entry appears in the Accounts of the Master of Mortifications for the years 1732-3:—"Imprimis, the Compter charges himself with the Sum of one hundred merks, received be him from James Simson, Taylor in Aberdeen, Executor to the said Mr. Alexander Williamson."

Sum mortified 100 merks Scots, or	-	£5 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY MRS. HELEN DUFF OF BRACCO, OF
2000 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE SUPPORT AND EDUCATION
OF A YOUNG GENTLEWOMAN, A BURGESS
OF GUILD'S DAUGHTER.

30th January, 1734.

THE said Day, It being represented to the Council That Helen Duff, relict of the deceased William Duff of Bracco, proposed to pay into the Council the sum of two thousand merks, Scots money, at the term of Whitsunday next, to be settled upon a Mortification, in the usual form and method, for the particular end, and under the conditions following; . . . That, after her death, the Magistrates and Town Council pay the annual rents to any young woman, of the quality and condition

after mentioned, In manner after expressed ; viz. :—That the Magistrates and Town Council of Aberdeen shall be perpetual Patrons of the said Mortification under the following limitations ; That the same be always allennerly applied for the maintenance and education of a virtuous sober young woman of a good character and reputation, and whose parents are not sufficiently able to Educate her, and that shall be presented by the said Patrons ; That the person to be presented shall be only a Burgess of Guild's Daughter of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and that she be educate in and profess the Protestant Religion ; To maintain and educate a sober, virtuous, and poor daughter of a Burgess of Guild, who shall be a Protestant. That the person presented shall noways be capable to enter thereto, unless she be presented and entered to the same, before she be thirteen years of age, and continue till the time Person presented shall not be 13 years of age. allowed be elapsed ; That each Person presented shall be obliged to apply the said Benefice for her education and maintenance in Learning, Sueing, and all Millinars work, Pastrie, and other such useful Education, fit for a Gentlewoman, within the town of Aberdeen, that may enable her to gain her bread honestly, and in a lawful way ; and that the profite of all work, wrought by those that are presented, (while they are educating) shall belong to their mistress, except allennerly any apparell they shall make for themselves ; That every person before she enter thereto be fully taught to spin, wive stockings, Reading, wreiting, and arithmetic, so as the same may not hinder her from her other Learning ; That, if the person presented shall incline to follow the Business of Mantua-making, it shall be in her option, and she shall have liberty to enter apprentice thereto, by the oversight of the Patrons, to any discreet mistress in that Business, for the space of three years ; That each person, presented as said is, shall enjoy the said Benefice for the space of Four years, and no more, whereof three years is to be spent in her Education as said is, and, her Fourth year, she has liberty to employ the said Benefice for buying cloaths and other necessaries. And when any Burger of Guild's Daughter shall be preferred to, and enjoy the said Benefice, the same is not to be given to any more Daughters of that same Burges, But is to be disposed of to some other Two of a family shall not enjoy the benefice successively.

Burges Daughter, so as to be universally useful ; That, if any person so presented shall behave herself lightly, or undecently, or give scandal or offence by her indiscretion or Misbehaviour, If presentee misbehave, to be dismissed. That, in that case, it shall be lawful to the said Patrons to deprive her of the said Benefice, any time within the said four years, notwithstanding her presentation thereto ; That the Mortifier's kin nearest relations of the Mortifier, who shall claim it, be preferred, and that, dureing the lifetime of Patrick Duff of Premnay, and Margaret Duff his spouse, any person shall be preferred to the said Benefice whom they recommend, dureing their Joint lifetime, or whom the longest liver of them shall recommend, Being still a Burgers Daughter of Aberdeen, and other wayes fitt and capable, conform to the above rules and Limitations. All which being considered be the Magistrates and Council foresaid, and they being well and ripely advised therewith, They agreed to accept of the said Mortification, in terms of the above proposals.

Sum mortified 2000 merks Scots, or -	£111 2 2
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN GALL, MERCHANT IN ABERDEEN, OF 300 MERKS SCOTS, TO POOR, ONE HOUSE IN CASTLE STREET TO DECAYED BURGESSES FAMILIES, ANOTHER HOUSE TO POOR FAMILIES, AND 500 MERKS SCOTS FOR REPAIRS.

4th July, 1735.

BE it Knownen to all men, be thir present Letters, Me John Gall, merchant in Aberdeen . . . make my Latter will and testament, as follows ; and, first, I make nominat constitute and ordain The Dean of Gild, and Master of Mortifications, of

the Burgh of Aberdeen, and their successors in their respective offices, to be my sole and only Executors . . . Item, I leave and bequeath to the Church Session of Aberdeen, The sum of Three hundred merks Scots money, which sum I appoint to be liferented by Margaret Smith my spouse, and after her de-

ceass, I appoint the said sum to be settled upon Interest, and the annual rent thereof to be payed to any Indigent persons

300 merks to Kirk Session for Poor; preferring his own and his wife's relations, and surname of Gall.

the said Church Session shall think fitt, my own Relations, my wifes relations, and then the name of Gall, that are indigent, being alwayes preferred . . . Item, I appoint my said Executors," after payment of the Legacies mentioned in the will, "to setle the remainder of my Effects upon bond bearing annual rent, and to pay the annual rent thereof to Margaret Smith my spouse, dureing all the days of her lifetime, and after her decease, to apply the same to such a pious use, within the Burgh of Aberdeen, as the Magistrates and town Council of Aberdeen, with advice of the said Margaret Smith (if on life), shall think proper."—

" The said John Gall, likeways, by his Disposition and Mortification, of the date, the fourth day of July one thousand seven hundred and thirty five years . . . mortified and disponed his two tenements of land lying in the Northside of the Castlegate, and Southside of the Huxter raw, of Aberdeen, to and in favours of James Strachan, then Dean of Gild of Aberdeen, and James Legg, then master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, and their successors, in their respective offices, perpetually, in all time comeing, for the pious uses, ends, and purposes, after mentioned, viz.:—He appointed the Rents of the tenement of land in the Northside of the Castlegate to be uplifted by the Dean of Gild, and he appointed the same (after deduceing of the ordinary Reparations and publick burdens) to be payed by

him, by order of the Magistrates and town Council of Aberdeen, to the decayed family of a Burges of Gild of the Burgh of Aberdeen, who are Relations to the said John Gall, or to Margaret Smith, his spouse, the nearest, and those having young children, being always preferred; and failling of their Relations, of the quality forsaid, He appointed the same to be

Two tenements in Castle Street and Huxter Row.

Rent of Castle Street property to be given to the decayed family of a Guild Burgess, relations of him or his wife; failing these, to two

poor families of payed to two poor families of burgesses of Gild, who have Burgesses.

young children, by order of the Magistrats and town Council of Aberdeen. Item, He appointed the Rents of the tenement in the southside of the Exchequer raw to be uplifted by the Master of Mortifications, and the same (after deduceing of the ordinary Reparations and publick burdens) to be payed by him, by order of the Magistrats and Town Council, to the nearest

Rent of Exchequer Row property to be given to his own and his wife's nearest poor relations; Failing whom, to two indigent families in Aberdeen.

Indigent Relation of the said John Gall, or Margaret Smith, his Spouse, who are intituled to the Charity of the Town of Aberdeen, those who have young children being always preferred; and failling of their Relations, He appointed the same to be payed, by order of the Magistrats and Town Council, to two indigent familys, within the said burgh, who have young children, and are intituled to the Town of Aberdeen's charity, and whenever any of his Relations, or his wifes Relations, who are intituled to the Rents of the said two tenements, as above, shall apply for the benefite of them, they shall be setled upon them at the first term of Whitsunday, after their application, altho other persons who are no Relations be setled on them at the time; and he thereby Recommended to the Dean of Gild, and Master of Mortifications, to keep the said houses in sufficient repair, by advice of the Magistrats and Town Council, and not to suffer them to go to ruin, and when there shall be occasion for any extraordinary reparations of the said houses, for defraying the charges thereof, by his Later will, of the date forsaid, he

500 merks Scots for repairs.

left and bequeathed five hundred merks Scots as a fund for the said extraordinar reparations; which sum he recommended to the Magistrats and Town Council to settle upon Interest, and to accresce the annual rents in a stock with the principall sum, as a perpetual fund for the said extraordinary reparations; and when any extraordinary reparations are necessar, To make the same out of that fund; and, in case by any such reparations the said 500 merks, or any part therof should be exhausted, He appointed the Rents of said houses to be applyed for making up the deficiency, untill the said 500 merks be fully made up, and he appointed the annual rent of the said 500 merks to be added to the stock, till it accresce to a sufficient sum for rebuild-

ing the said houses, in case of a total decay of them. And he thereby appointed the Provost Baillies and Council of Aberdeen to be perpetual patrons of his said Mortification. Council to be Patrons.

Sums mortified—

To Poor 300 merks Scots, or	-	£16 13 4
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Rental of property as in Mortification	-	
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The House in Castle Street, belonging to this Mortification, was destroyed by fire in 1736.

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN STRACHAN, MERCHANT IN
ABERDEEN, OF 200 PUNDS FOR A BEDLAM.

4th October, 1735.

THE said John Strachan, By his Latter Will and Testament, dated the 16th of Aprile, 1734, nominats and appoints Alexander Robertson, Merchant in Aberdeen, and Alexander Smith of Blairstown, his sons in Law, to be his Executors; and, by a codicil to his said Testament, dated the 4th of October 1735, ordains his Executors to pay in to the Magistrates of Aberdeen the sum of Two hundred Pounds Scots, or thereby, due him by Alexander Forbes of Ballogie, and payable upon the death of the Lady Tolquhon, and that how soon they Recover the same, or to assigne the said debt to the Magistrates, in his said Executors option; and the Magistrates of Aberdeen are to apply the said sum, so left by the said John Strachan to them, unto the fund Mortified for a Bedlam, and taking care of distracted persons.

Sum mortified 200 pounds, or	-	£16 13 4
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By act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was given over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, vol. lx. p. 687).

MORTIFICATION BY ROBERT GELLIE, MERCHANT IN
ABERDEEN, OF 500 MERKS SCOTS, FOR THE SUP-
PORT OF PERSONS DEPRIVED OF THE USE OF THEIR
REASON.

30th January, 1736.

THE following Extract is made from Council Register, vol. lx. p. 414, "The said Day Robert Gellie, Merchant in Aberdeen, gave in to the Master of Mortifications the sum of Fyve hundred merks Scots money, for the benefite of the Mortification to persons deprived of the use of their Reason, upon this condition that he and his wife should have the annual rent of the said sum, dureing their joynt lifetimes, and the lifetime of the longest liver of them, and that the Council should discharge Adam Drummond, Merchant, of the Composition due by him as a Burges of Gild; all which being considered be the Magistrates and Council forsaid, they accepted of the said Fyve hundred merks in the above terms."

Sum mortified 500 merks Scots, or - £27 15 6

By act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was handed over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, vol. lx. p. 687).

MORTIFICATION BY MRS. BARBARA FORREST OR MACKIE,
OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO A VIRTUOUS GENTLE-
WOMAN.

18th November, 1736.

BE it known to all men, be thir present letters, Me Barbara Forrest, Relict of the deceast Patrick Mackie, Merchant in

Aberdeen, . . . to have Given, Granted, Mortified, Destinat and appointed, . . . to George Shepherd, present Master of Mortifications of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and his successors in office, Masters of Mortifications thereof, . . . All and haill the sum of one Thousand merks, Scots money, . . . to be stocked and laid out by him, with consent of the Provost Baillies and Council of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, . . . the Interest is to be applyed in manner aftermentioned, viz. : Reserving always to me, the said Barbara Forrest, my liferent dureing all the days of my lifetime, of the said sum of one Thousand merks, so mortified, . . . and after my decease, the annual Rent and Profite of the said sum of one Thousand merks is to be payed yearly to the severall persons" therein named, and after the respetive deaths of the said persons,—“ I appoint and ordain the annual rent of the said sum of one Thousand merks to be payed yearly to a virtuous Industrious Gentlewoman, whither widow or unmarried, who happens to be dilligent at Industry, and working with her hands for her living and subsistance, and that in order to her more comfortable Support and Maintainance in the said Burgh of Aberdeen ; and to the effect this my Mortification may be the more extensive, I give full power and liberty to the patrons after-mention'd (if they think fitt) to divide the said annual rent, and give the same to two Quality of recipients de-
Gentlewomen of the qualities above exprest, with preferance scribed.

always to my own, and my Husband's friends and relations, in the first place, and nixt to Daughters or Grand Daughters, or Widows, of Burgers of Gild, within the said Burgh of Aberdeen, and after them, to any discreet virtuous Gentlewomen, resideing within the said Burgh of Aberdeen, they* being pious and of good protestant principles, and none else, and that perpetually, in all time coming. Finally, I nominat and appoint the said Council to be Provost Baillies and Council of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, and their successors in office, to be perpetual Patrons of this my Mortification.

Sum actually received (as appears from Council Register, vol. lxi. p. 233), 810 merks Scots or - £45 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY JOHN KEMP, APOTHECARY IN LONDON, OF THE RESIDUE OF HIS ESTATE, AMOUNTING TO £1077 3S. STERLING, TO ENDOW A SCHOOL IN ABERDEEN.

14th March, 1737.

THE following is an Excerpt from a Contract of the above date, made between the Magistrates and the said John Kemp's Trustees, relative to the said Mortification :—"Whereas John Kemp, late of the parish of St. Martin in the Fields, Apothecary, deceased, by his last will and Testament, bearing date on or about the third day of April, one Thousand Seven hundred and thirteen, after several legacies and devises therein mentioned, Gave all the Rest Residue and Remainder of his Estate whatever, his just debts being paid, to . . . Joseph Hays, his Executor therein named, upon Trust, That the said Joseph Hays, his Executors and Administrators, should gett in all moneys, which should be put out at Interest, as soon as conveniently might be, and should pay the same, together with the Interest thereof, from the time of his wife's decease, Unto the Provost Baillies and head Magistrates for the Town of Aberdeen, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, Upon Trust, that they and their Successors should, with convenient

To be laid out speed, lay out and expend the same in the purchase of Lands on lands.

of Inheritance to the best advantage, as they should approve, in their names: In trust, that the Rents and Profits of such Lands should, from time to time, for ever, be laid out for or towards the Erecting Endowing and Maintaining a School, with a master, and all necessarys, for the educating instructing and bringing up poor Children, whose parents should not be in capacity of bestowing learning on them, in the knowledge and taught reading, writing, and accounts, or for augmenting and accounts. and increasing the number of poor Children, then already li-

mited to be instructed in learning as aforesaid, at any school then already erected, and set upon to be erected, and set up for that purpose, as the said Provost Baillies and Chief Magistrates of the said Town of Aberdeen, for the time being, Magistrates
shall be Pa-
trons. should think meet, and see most conducing to the said Testators charitable intentions of promoting learning for the natives of the said Town of Aberdeen ; and the said Testator, by his said will, further directed that, in case it should, at any time, or times, thereafter, happen that any person, or persons, proceeding from the Loins and Family of his kindred, the late Alexander Robinson, and Christian Kemp his wife, or the late William Seaton, and Margaret Kemp his wife, to be reduced to poverty, so as not to be in a capacity of bestowing learning, as aforesaid, on their children ; Then, and in such case, the His own kin
shall have pre-
ference. Child or Children of such person, or persons, should, at all times, be partakers of such education, provided as aforesaid, and be preferred to the same, before any other."

Sum Mortified, and obtained after deducting the Expense of proceedings in Chancery, - - - £1077 3 0

MORTIFICATION BY JAMES IRVINE, ADVOCATE IN ABERDEEN, OF 600 PUNDS TO SICK POOR PEOPLE IN AN INFIRMARY.

15th March, 1737.

I James Irvine, Advocat in Aberdeen, . . . bind and oblige me, my heirs, executors, and successors, . . . to satisfie and pay to the Provost Baillies and Town Council of the Burgh of Aberdeen (who shall happen to be in office at that time), and to

their successors in office, or to their Master of Mortifications for the time, or such other office-bearer as they shall direct and

To remain in the hands of the Council, the sum of Six hundred pounds, Scots money, . . . which sum who are nominated Patrons.

I hereby mortifie and appoint to remain in the hands of the

said Provost Baillies and Council of the Burgh of Aberdeen,

. . . whom I hereby nominat perpetual Patrons thereof, and

the same is to be stocked, and laid out upon Interest, and the annual rent thereof to be employed and applied by them for

the assistance, relief, mantainance, and cure, of Sick and Diseased indigent poor people in ane Infirmary, which I hope

will be set up at Aberdeen, and failling of such Infirmary, and

untill the same be sett up, I appoint the annual rent of the said principal sum of Six hundred pounds, to be yearly applyed by

the saids Patrons, towards the mantainance, cure and Relief, of Sick and Diseased indigent poor people, such as they shall

see fitt objects, so as best and most conscienciously to answer the design and intention of this Mortification.

Sum mortified, 600 pounds Scots, or - £50 0 0

By act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortifica-

tion, along with others of a like nature, was handed

over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, vol. lx. p.

687).

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE WALTER BRAND, CULLEN,
OF £20 TO AN INFIRMARY.

14th May, 1737.

THE following is a copy of a Letter addressed to the Provost, and Magistrates, concerning this Mortification : " Honorable Gentlemen, being at first advised yow intended my Father's Donation of twenty pounds sterlinc to your Town, for the

Workhouse and Infirmary joynly, I thought it would answer my Father's design very much but to the former, as far as concerned the Poor Orphans only. But seeing by the Letter yow honour me with, I'm advised yow have some certain Funds for the use of the Orphans already, and but few for the Infirmary, tho' the most chargeable and Moveing undertaking, and the certainty I have of the due application of all the public Funds under your care, I'm obliged to concurr with your proposal of having the £20 solely appropriated to the Infirmary and that under the Patronage and Management of your Town Council, or any they shall appoint for Managers, from time to time, and yow may cause call for the money from Ballie Mounat and Son, when you think fitt."

(Signed) "Ja. Brand." (Addressed) "To the Honourable the Provost and Magistrat s of the City of Aberdeen."

Sum mortified, - - - £20 0 0

By Act of Council, dated 4th May, 1741, this Mortification, along with others of a like nature, was handed over to the Infirmary. (Council Register, Vol. Ix. p. 687.)

Council to be
Patrons.

MORTIFICATION BY THE REV. CHARLES GORDON, VICAR
OF LITTLE BADDOW, OF £200 TO A BURSAR AT
MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

8th June, 1737.

I Charles Gordon, Clerk, Master of Arts, Vicar of Little Baddow in the County of Essex, . . . Do make and ordain this my last will and testament, in manner and form following; . . .

First, for the zeall I have to the Glory of God, the advancement of Learning, and the flourishing of the Marischall College of Aberdeen, I do hereby Mortifie destine and appoint the sum

Bursar shall of two Hundred Pounds, sterlign money, as a perpetuall fund be one year at for mantaining a Bursar of Greek, Philosophy, and Mathema- three years at ticks, in the said College, to be presented thereto by the Philosophy and Mathema- Patrons hereafter named, which Bursar is to be one year at ties.

Greek, and three years at his course of Philosophy and Mathe- maticks, and so on for ever, and the said Bursar is still to be

Surname of Gordon to have a preference. of the name of Gordon, But if none of that name shall offer, then such other as the Patrons hereafter named shall think fit.

And I doe hereby bequeath to the Provost Baillies and Town Council of the Burgh of Aberdeen the said Sum of Two hundred Pounds Sterling, to be stocked . . . by them for maintenance of the said Bursar, perpetually, in all time coming . . . And, in order to encourage the Corporation of the said Burgh of Aberdeen to accept of the Custody and Management of the said two Hundred Pounds Sterling, I hereby restrict the said Bursars mantinance to the sum of Eight pounds six shillings

Bursar's fee restricted to £8 6s. 8d. and eight pence Sterling, to be payed half yearly by the said Corporation, out of the first and readiest of the annual rents of the said Capital sum of two hundred pounds. And I do hereby declare that the said Provost Baillies and Council are not to be lyable nor accountable for any more to such Bursar, nor to the Patrons hereafter named, nor to any other persons

Council are to have the absolute disposal of absolute disposal of the surplus annual rent to any use they all surplus. whatsoever, upon any pretext; but are to have the free and

shall think fitting. And I do hereby nominate constitute and ap-

Duke of Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen, and his Heirs, in the first place, The Right honourable William, Council shall have the Pa- tronage of this Bursary, alter- nately. point the most noble Cosmus George, Duke of Gordon, and

my Mortification, (that is to say), the Duke and his heirs to have the first Presentation, and the said Earl and his heirs, the second, and the said Provost Baillies and Council, the third. And I do hereby further appoint, and it is my will, that

in case no person of the name of Gordon can be found, nor other person fitly qualified, that all such annual rent and all parts and proportions thereof, as shall accrue and become due till such person so named or otherways can be found, shall be added to the said principal sum of two hundred pounds, and to bear Interest proportionally with the same to and for a further advantage to the said bursar and his successors.

Sum mortified,	£200 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY THOMAS STRACHAN, OF 1000 MERKS
SCOTS, TO POOR FAMILIES, AND HOUSEHOLDERS,
OF ABERDEEN.

21st November, 1737.

“Aberdeen, 21st Nover., 1737.

“Honourable Gentlemen,—From a charitable disposition, I have Mortified the sum of one Thousand merks, Scots money, to be To be under the patronage, of the Council. under your patronage, and to be stocked upon good Security, the annual rent whereof to be payed yearly to myself, dureing my Life, and after my death, to be distribute yearly among indigent necessitous families, and householders, within the Burgh of Aberdeen, of godly and virtuous inclinations, haveing regard to those I may mention in a List under my hand, and such as shall be recommended by Mr. Ogilvie, Minister of Aberdeen, my son in Law, and Alexander Thomson, Advocate in Aberdeen, . . . You’ll be pleased to make ane act of Counsell accepting of this my Mortification, and appointing the Master of Mortifications to grant me ane obligement for the annual rent, dureing my lifetime, and to apply the annual rent thereafter in the above terms, I wish also prosperity to the town of Aberdeen.”

(Signed) “T. Strachan.” (Addressed) “To the Honourable the Lord Provost Baillies and Counsell of Aberdeen.”

Sum mortified, 1000 merks Scots, or	£55 11 1
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN RICKART OF AUCHNACANT,
 MERCHANT IN ABERDEEN, OF £500 TO ST. PAUL'S
 CHAPEL, £12 FOR SUPPORT OF " RICKART'S TOMB,"
 AND OF THE WHOLE RESIDUE OF HIS ESTATE TO
 THE INFIRMARY.

20th October, 1740.

I John Rickart, of Auchnacant, Merchant in Aberdeen, . . . hereby mortifie . . . the sum of Five hundred pounds Sterling, . . . for the behoof of St. Pauls Chappel in Aberdeen, . . . upon the express conditions and limitations after specified, allenarly and no otherways,"—viz. : that his executors shall pay the same to the Treasurer of Aberdeen, who shall give Bond therefor, to the Members of said Chapel, therein named, the annual rent of which sum—"is to be applied yearly toward the payment of a Stipend to the Minister of said Chapel, . . . and that only so long as there continues a legal and qualified Minister of the Church of England to preach the Gospel in the said Chappel," and, "in case at any time hereafter, there shall shall be no legal qualified Minister of the Church of England, preaching the Gospel in the said St. Pauls Chappel, or that the Act of Parliament, called the Toleration Act, happen to be rescinded, or that Episcopal Government in the Church of Scotland happen to be restored, or that an Episcopal Congregation of the Church of England, . . . frequenting worship in the said Chappel, happen to subside, . . . then, and in either of these cases, I will and appoint, . . . that theforesaid sum of Five hundred Pounds Sterling, . . . be added . . . to the Stock of the Mortification, . . . destinatated by me for the use of the Infirmary and Workhouse presently building, . . . within the said Burgh of Aberdeen ; . . . and for the greater encouragement of the said Town Council of Aberdeen, . . . to keep in their hands theforesaid principal sum, . . . I hereby appoint that the said Treasurer to Aberdeen, shall have deduction and retention pay $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. under legal in- yearly, (for the use and behoof of the common good of the terest.

Town,) of an half per cent from the legal Interest of the said principal sum," and "whereas the deceast William Rickart, Merchant in Aberdeen, my Unkle, having built a Tomb, at his Burial Place, upon the west side of the Kirkyard of Aberdeen, and I being desirous that the said Tomb should be mantained, and decently upheld, in all time coming, and to destinat a proper Fund for that effect, THEREFORE I hereby appoint my said Executors, out of the first and readiest of my Executory, to satisfie and pay, immediatly after my Death, to the Master of Kirkwork of Aberdeen, for the time, the sum of Twelve pounds Sterling Money, to be by him, and his successors in office, stocked and lent out upon Interest, and to be a perpetual Fund for mantaining and upholding in sufficient repair, in all time coming, the foresaid Tomb, called the RICKARTS TOMB, and I appoint the same to be made a separate article of charge and discharge in the Master of Kirkwork his annual Accompts. Item, whereas I am resolved to make a pious Mortification and Donation of the Remainder and Superplus of my Executory, before specified," (after payment of the special Legacies, and Mortifications, therein mentioned,) " and to add, eik, and conjoin the same to the INFIRMARY and WORKHOUSE pre- Residue to In-
 sently erecting within the said Burgh of Aberdeen, for Relieff firmary and Workhouse for and Mantainance of the objects to be put therein, and for the promotion of industry promoting Industry in the said Workhouse, and employing therein, every person therein, who shall be capable to work, according to the Rules and Plan already laid down by the Magistrates and Town Council of the said Burgh of Aberdeen and the Directors of the said Infirmary and Workhouse, and which shall hereafter be resolved and agreed upon by them, for the better Management and Direction of the said Infirmary and Workhouse, WHICH RESOLUTION proceeds purely from the zeal I bear and carrie to the Glory and Honour of God, and that the true principles of our holy CHRISTIAN RELIGION may be and for the propagation of the more effectually propagated and confirmed in the several Christian religion. Objects and Persons, to be put into the said Infirmary and Workhouse, and that VIRTUE and INDUSTRY may flourish and be advanced, and for preventing of Vice, Idleness, and Sloth, in

those who are able to work, and for releiving, supporting, mantaining, and curing, the sick and indigent Poor, who may be proper Objects to be put into the said Infirmary ; and this

Mortification to the Infirmary vested in the Council ; my Mortification is to be vested in the Persons of the said Provost Baillies and Town Council of Aberdeen, in manner after mentioned, (as being a legal Society for holding such a Mortification,) for the use and Behoof of the said Infirmary

but under the management of the Directors of the Infirmary. and Workhouse, but the same is to be under the Management, Government, and Administration, of the Directors of the said Infirmary and Workhouse, to be chosen from time to time,

for that purpose, and the stock is still to be preserved entire, but the Issues, Rents, and profits thereof are to be paid in annally to the said Directors, or their Cashier, and to be by them applyed for the use and behoof of the said Infirmary and Workhouse, and the several Objects to be put therein, . . .

THEREFORE I, by these presents, LEAVE, BEQUEATH, DEDICATE, and MORTIFIE, to and in favour of the . . . Provost Baillies and Town Counsellors of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, my Executors, and their Successors in their respeective Offices, . . . In TRUST for the use and behoof of the said Infirmary and Workhouse of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, and for the support and mantainance of the Objects to be put therein, according

Bequeaths to Infirmary whole surplus of his Estate. to the Rules and Statutes made or to be made thereanent, the **WHOLE FREE REMAINDER and SUPERPLUS of my Executory, before specified, (after payment of the special Legacys, and Mortifications before mentioned) . . . and the annual rent of the money, or the Issues Rents Profits of the Lands and Heritage, which may be purchased therewith, to be made furthcoming**

Annual Rent to be paid yearly by the Council to the Directors. and paid in yearly, . . . in all time coming, by the said Provost Baillies and Town Council of the foresaid Burgh of Aberdeen, and their Successors, for ever, in their respective Offices, to

the Directors of the forsaid Infirmary and Workhouse for the time, or their Cashier, to be by them applyed towards the support, mantainance, releif, and employment of the Objects who shall be put therein, according to the Rules and Statutes made or to be made thereanent.

Sum mortified to St. Paul's Chapel,	-	£500	0	0
Do. for Tomb,	-	-	12	0

ORDINANCE BY THE MAGISTRATES AND COUNCIL, AN-
NEXING JOHN KEMP'S MORTIFICATION TO THE
WORKHOUSE, AND MORTIFICATIONS FOR INSANE
AND SICK PEOPLE TO THE INFIRMARY.

4th May, 1741.

THE said day, The Magistrates and Council takeing to their consideration that the Infirmary and Workhouse of this burgh were now mostly finished, and that it was incumbent on them to appropriate such funds, under their management and administration, as they could apply for the benefit of the said Works ; And considering that John Kemp Apothecary his Mortification is by himself destinate for erecting, endowing, and mantaining, a School with a Master, and all necessarys, for the educating and bringing up poor Children, or for augmenting the number of poor Children to be instructed at any School, already erected, or to be erected and sett up, for that purpose, as the Provost Baillies and Chief Magistrates . . . should think meet ; . . . Therefore the Magistrates and Council foresaid appointed . . . the said John Kemp's Mortification to be annexed to the Hospital or Workhouse for the benefite of poor Children, to be learned and taught in terms of the Mortification. As also, the Magistrates and Council granted War- £20 of Guild
Wine Money
to Workhouse. rand to, and appointed, the Dean of Gild to pay, out of the Gild Wine moneys, the Sum of Twenty pound Sterling, for the use of the Workhouse ; and farther appointed the Mortification to persons deprived of the use of their Reason to be annexed to the Infirmary, and the sick people's fund to be likewise annexed to the Infirmary.

MORTIFICATION BY THE REVEREND ALEXANDER SMITH,
OF £100 STERLING, TO A STUDENT AT MARISCHAL
COLLEGE.

15th July, 1741.

To be under
the charge of
the Magis-
trates and Pro-
fessors.

EXTRACT from his last Will:—" I will devise and bequeath one hundred Pound Sterling to the Marischall College of New Aberdeen, in Scotland, to be settled and disposed off as the Magistrates of the said Town, or Masters of the said College, shall think fittest; That the Intrest of the said hundred pounds may be always forthcoming, for the assistance and support of some poor young Lad, who desires to prosecute his Studies of Greek and Philosophy in the said College."

Sum mortified, £100 0 0

This Mortification will, probably, be under the charge of the Principal and Professors of the College.

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE CRUICKSHANK, EXAMINER
OF THE CUSTOMS, AT EDINBURGH, OF £200 STER-
LING, TO MAINTAIN A BURGESS' SON AT THE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR 5 YEARS, AND GIVING HIM
£20 AS AN APPRENTICE FEE.

11th March, 1746.

EXTRACT from the said George Cruickshank's last will:—" Item, to the town of Aberdeen, the sum of two hundred Pounds Sterling of principal, hereby mortified in their hands, for maintainance of a Burghers son of Aberdeen, five years at the Grammar School, at Five Pounds Sterling yearly, and twenty Pounds Sterling to be given for an Apprentice fee, or

otherways fitting him for Business, after expiring of his Five years at School ; and so furth for ever, To have one Boy constantly Educated, after another, and supplied, in manner for-said."

Sum mortified,	£200	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER RITCHIE, SCHOOLMASTER
IN ABERDEEN, OF HIS HOUSE AND WHOLE RESIDUE
OF HIS PROPERTY TO THE GUILD BOX.

23d January, 1749.

KNOW All Men, by these presents, Me Alexander Ritchie, Schoolmaster in Aberdeen, sometime in Lonhead of Corse, . . . to have given granted and perpetually Mortified . . . To and in favours of Alexander Osborn, present Dean of Guild of Aberdeen, and his Successors in office, . . . for the use and behoof of the Gild Box thereof, (To be disposed of by the direction of the Provost Baillies and town Council of the same burgh) . . . All and Whole That Tenement of foirland, under and above, with the pertinents, . . . lying in the East-side of the Guest-row of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, near the head thereof, betwixt the little wynd which goes from the Guestraw to the Broadgate, opposite to the Land sometime of John Forbes, now of the Master of Mortifications, at the South, the King's common high way at the west, the Land . . . now of William Arthur, Wright, at the North, the land . . . now of . . . at the East parts" . . . Reserving always the liferent of the said Alexander Ritchie, and Elizabeth Swap, his Spouse . . . "and farther witt ye me . . . to have . . . assigned . . . To and in favours of the said Alexander Osborn, . . . and his Successors in office, . . .

for the use and behoof of the Gild Box thereof, all goods, gear, merchandise, debts, Sums of money, . . . which shall be resting and belonging to me, the time of my death . . . and, **LASTLY**, I nominate and appoint the Provost Baillies and Town Councill of the said Burgh of Aberdeen to be perpetual Patrons of my Mortification.

No Statement of the Revenue arising from this Mortification appears in the Guild Box Accounts.

MORTIFICATION BY BISHOP BURNETT, OF 20,000 MERKS
SCOTS, TO THE SUPPORT OF BURSARS AT MARISCHAL
COLLEGE.

22d August, 1750.

THE following Extract is taken from a memorial, regarding the said mortification, addressed by the Principal and Professors of Marischal College to the Town Council, which is recorded in the Council Register, Vol. lxi. p. 467 :—“ Memorial ; That whereas a fund for the maintenance of Bursars and other pious uses hath been bequeathed to this College by Doctor Gilbert Burnett, late Bishop of Salisbury, under the Patronage of the Lairds of Leyes, being of the names of Burnett, to the amount of Twenty Thousand merks Scots, . . . and whereas, by Interlocutor of the Lords of Council and Session, Warrant

Burnetts of
Leys shall be
Patrons,

who, with the Principal of
the College
and the Pro-
vost of Aber-
deen, shall
have the ma-
nagement.

is granted to Sir Alexander Burnett of Leyes, to the Principal of the said College, and to the Provost of the Burgh of Aberdeen, or to any two of them, to lend out the said Sum to Dr. James Gordon of Pitlurg.” The Provost’s Consent to this transaction being desired was granted.

Sum mortified, 20,000 merks Scots, or

£1111 2 2

MORTIFICATION BY LADY FRASER OF DURRIS, OF £100
TO POOR OF DURRIS, £50 TO POOR OF STRACHAN,
£400 TO INFIRMARY, £100 TO ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL,
£500 TO THE SUPPORT OF 8 DECAYED GENTLE-
WOMEN, AND £50 TO POOR HOUSEHOLDERS OF
ABERDEEN.

15th March, 1754.

KNOW all men, By these present letters, Me, Dame Anne Fraiser, alias Heron, widow of the deceased Sir Peter Fraiser of Durris, Baronet, . . . to have finally resolved to Mortify the sum of Two Thousand pounds, Sterling money, for the ends uses and purposes aftermentioned; Therefore . . . witt ye me, the said Dame Anne Fraiser, alias Heron, to have assigned and sett over, . . . to and in favours of the Provost Baillies and Council of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and their Successors in Office, (whom I hereby nominate Trustees and Council to be Managers of the foresaid Stock and application thereof, for the ends uses and purposes aftermentioned,) the foresaid principal sum of Two Thousand pounds, Sterling money, viz. : I give and bequeath to the Minister and Kirk Session of Durris, and their Successors in Office, for the time being, the annual rent and profit of the sum of One hundred pounds, Sterling £100 to Kirk Session of Durris for Poor, Money, hereby left and bequeathed by me to the poor of the said Parish, at the Feast and Term of Martinmas yearly, and in all time coming, at the rate of Four per cent., to be distributed by the said Minister and Kirk Session, by advice, and at the oversight, of the Heritor, or Factor of the Estate of Durris, to the Poor of the said Parish, in the most equitable manner, to the most Indigent and Necessitous, without favour or respect of persons, at Christmas yearly, and in all time coming; and that they may make out and word, in their Session Books, an exact list of the Poor, to whom the same is distribute, to be revised and approven by the Heritor or Factor of the Es-

tate of Durris, yearly. ITEM, to the Minister and Kirk Session of Strachan, and their Successors in Office for the time being,

£50 to Kirk Session of Strachan for Poor.

the annual Rent and Profit of the sum of Fifty pounds Sterling foresaid, left by me to the Poor of the said Parish, at the term of Martinmas yearly, and in all time coming, at Four per cent., to be distribute by them to the poor of the said Parish, at Christmas yearly, in the most Equitable and Impartial manner, to the most Indigent, and Necesitous, without favour; and that they make out and Record, in their Session Book, an exact list of the Poor to whom the same is distribute, to be revised and approven by the Heritor, or Factor of the said Estate. ITEM, I give and be-

£400 to Infir-

mary, queath, for the benefit of the Infirmary of Aberdeen, the sum of Four hundred pounds, Sterling Money, . . . and I appoint that the Interest of the said Four hundred pounds Sterling shall be paid in, at the rate of Four per cent., per annum, . . . in all time coming, to the Directors of the Infirmary; . . . but I appoint that the said Four hundred pounds shall

inhabitants of be preserved entire, . . . with this provision, that the Inhabitants of the remaining Estate of Durris, if standing in need, shall be taken into the said Infirmary, and receive the benefit of this my Mortification. ITEM, to pay to the Managers of

Estate of Dur-
ris shall be re-
ceived into the
Infirmary.

St. Paul's Chapel, in Aberdeen, and their Successors in Office,

£100 to St.
Paul's Chapel,

for the time being, the annual rent of One hundred pounds, money foresaid, at Four per cent., to be applied by the said Managers towards mantaining the said Chapel, in any way they shall judge most proper; provided nevertheless that if the

failing which
to the Infir-
mary or Work-
house.

said Chapel should, in any event, be given up, or fall in disuse, then the hundred pounds, bequeathed by me, shall be appropriate to the Infirmary, or Workhouse, in Aberdeen, as the

Magistrates or Town Council, in time being, shall find most usefull." And, after the payment of the several Mortifications, Donations, and Legacies therein mentioned, extending in all to the sum of Seventeen hundred and Fifty pounds Sterling money, "I appoint and ordain that the overplus which will be

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Two hundred and Fifty pounds Sterling Money, shall be appropriated and laid out, in the best manner, towards the Relief

and Support of Four old decayed Widow Gentlewomen, or other married Gentlewomen, of an advanced age, who have lived in an unmarried state, and are in low and straitned circumstances, to be named and presented thereto by the Magistrates of Aberdeen, and their Successors in Office, from time to time ; and the annual rent thereof, extending to Ten pounds Sterling, at Four per cent., to be paid to them by the said Magistrates, or the Master of the Brethren of Guilds Hospital, and their Successors in Office, at the fore-said Term of Martinmas yearly, and in all time coming, by equal divisions, being Fifty Shillings Sterling to each of them ; Hereby recommending to the said Magistrates, and their Successors in Office, to distribute this my Donation, in the most Charitable and Impartial manner, to such Gentlewomen as are most necessitous, and best deserving, without respect to persons, or difference of Profession ; and that none be presented to have right to this my Donation, but such as are Inhabitants of Aberdeen, above the age of sixty, and of good Report ; and it is my Will That, if any of the name of Fraiser, being of the age and circumstances above described, be preferred to all others. And, as I have given and bequeathed to Mrs. Mary Fraser, my late servant, the annual rents and Profits of one hundred and Fifty pounds sterling, during her natural life, so after her decease, I do appoint and ordain that the said annual rents and Profits, being six pounds sterling, at Four per Cent, shall be applied and mortified for the support and Behooff of two more Gentlewomen, either widows, or unmarried, necessitous and of good report, above the age of sixty, being Three pounds sterling to each, in the same manner, and under the same restrictions, as the Four others above specified. . . . And whereas I did, by a former Destination, . . . give and bequeath to the Lady Henrietta Gordon, Daughter to the deceased Alexander Duke of Gordon, the sum of two Hundred pounds Sterling, but, by a Codicile, . . . I revoke and recall that Donation, by reason of her going into a Popish Monastry, and that it might be applied to superstitious uses, and did restrict her to the annual rents of the said two Hundred pounds sterling, during all the days of her natural life, . . . I do now ordain and appoint that, after

gentlewomen,
who shall be
presented by
the Magis-
trates.

Each to receive
50s. yearly.

Those present-
ed shall be in-
habitants of
Aberdeen, and
above 60 years
of age; prefer-
ing the name
of Fraser,

£150 for the
support of 2
more Gentle-
women, as
above £3 to
each, yearly.

the decease of the said Lady Henrietta Gordon, that the annual rents and Profits of One hundred pound, liferented by her,

£100 to 2 more
Gentlewomen
of the above
description ;
£2 to each
yearly.

. . . be applied and mortified for the relief and support of two more old Gentlewomen, widows, or unmarried, at the rate of two pound Sterling, yearly, to each of them, which will make Eight in number, when the stock is increased to Five Hundred pounds Sterling; and then I do appoint and ordain that two of the most necessitous and best qualified, whether widows, or unmarried, be entitled to three pound Sterling, yearly, to each of them; and that Four of the next most necessitous and best qualified be entitled to two pound ten shillings sterling, yearly, to each of them, and so to continue in all time coming . . . And

£50 to poor
Householders
Aberdeen.

I appoint that the annual rent of fifty pound, at the rate of Four per Cent, being two pound Sterling, be given for the relief of some of the most necessitous and poor Householders in the town of Aberdeen, to be distribute to them, at the Feast of Christmas yearly, and duly, for all time coming.

Sums mortified—

To Kirk Session of Durris	-	£100	0	0
To do. do. of Strachan	-	50	0	0
To Infirmary	-	400	0	0
To St Paul's Chapel	-	100	0	0
To 8 Gentlewomen	-	500	0	0
To Poor Householders	-	£50	0	0
		£1200	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY CHRISTIAN GORDON OR HOWIESON,
OF 9000 MERKS SCOTS, TO THE SUPPORT OF 8
INDIGENT GENTLEWOMEN,

21st March, 1754.

I Christian Gordon, Relict of the deceast Mr. Andrew Howison, lately one of the Masters of the Grammar School of

Aberdeen, . . . legate and Bequeath to the Master of the Mortifications of the Burgh of Aberdeen, for the time being, in Trust, for the uses Ends and purposes after-mentioned, the sum of **SEVEN THOUSAND MERKS**, Scots money, the annual rent of which sum of Seven thousand merks I destinate appoint and ordain to be paid yearly to Anne Gordon, my Sister, Spouse to Gilbert Robertson Taylor in Aberdeen, and to Thomas Lister, my Nephew, . . . and after the death of both the said Anne Gordon and Thomas Lister, I hereby Destinate and appoint the annual rent of the forsaid sum of Seven thousand merks to be applyed, and paid yearly, perpetually, in all time thereafter, by the Master of the said Mortifications, by equal portions, to and for the better Maintenance and support of six indigent Gentlewomen, either widows, or women never married, whether they be young, or of a more advanced age, and that altho' the husbands of the widows or fathers of the women never married were not Burgesses of the said burgh, as it is my express meaning and Intention that six indigent Gentlewomen shall have and Enjoy the Benefite of this my Donation, in case they shall happen to stand in need thereof, whether they be anyways related to, or connected with Burgesses or not; and I hereby expressly destinate and appoint that Indi- To the support
of 6 indigent
Gentlewomen,
widows or un-
married. gent Gentlewomen, of the denomination aforsaid, who are re- Relations,
though resid-
ing without the
Burgh, shall
have a pre-
ference. lated to me, shall, upon their application, be preferred to all others, whether they happen to reside within the Burgh of Aberdeen, or in any other place; Item, I legate and bequeath the sum of two thousand merks, Scots money, more, to the as also, 2000
merks Scots. Master of the said Mortifications of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, in Trust, for the uses, Ends, and purposes, after mentioned, viz:—I destinate and appoint the annual rent of one thousand merks, being one half of the said two thousand merks, to be paid yearly to . . . Margaret Henderson, my servant, during all the days of her Life, after my death; and the annual rent of the other thousand merks, being the other half of the said sum, I destinate and appoint to be paid yearly to Mary Alexander, Residenter in Aberdeen, during all the days of her Life after my death, and after the death of the said Margaret Hen-

derson and Mary Alexander, I destinate and appoint the annual rent of the said last mentioned two thousand merks to be paid yearly by the Master of Mortifications, for the time being, to two indigent Gentlewomen of one or other of the characters and denominations aforesaid, perpetually, in all time thereafter.

To the support of other two indigent gentlewomen.

... As also, I hereby destinate and appoint the number of

Four of the above mentioned Eight indigent Gentlewomen to be nominated and presented to the benefite of the above donations, by the magistrates and Town Council of Aberdeen, for the time being, during the Lives of my Executors above

Council to be Patrons.

named of this my will, and the remaining four indigent Gentlewomen to be nominated and presented by my said Executors, during their lives, and after their deaths, I give and grant the Right of Nomination and Presentation of all the said Indigent Gentlewomen to and in favours of the magistrates and town council of the Burgh of Aberdeen, for the time being, perpetually, in all time thereafter.

Sum mortified 9000 merks Scots, or -

£500 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY WILLIAM GERARD OF STONEHOUSE,
OF £500 STERLING, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S
HOSPITAL, THE INFIRMARY, AND THE POOR'S HOUSE.

9th November, 1765.

THE following Extract is made from Council Register, Vol. lxiii. folio 42:—" The said day, it was intimated to the Council, that the deceased William Gerard of Stonehouse, by his trust Disposition, dated the twenty fourth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and sixty, . . . had legated and bequeathed to the Provost Baillies and Council, the following sums of money, viz; Four Hundred Pounds Sterling for the benefite of the Guild Brethren's Hospital of the Burgh; Item

Fifty Pounds Sterling for the benefite of the Infirmary of the Town ; Item Fifty Pounds Sterling for the use of the Poor's house of Aberdeen ; all to be paid at the terms, and in manner, mentioned in the said disposition."

Sums mortified—

To Guild Brethren's Hospital	-	£400	0	0
To Infirmary	-	50	0	0
To Poor's House	-	50	0	0
		£500	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY JEAN CATTANACH, WIDOW OF
GEORGE CATTANACH, MERCHANT IN LONDON, OF
£200 STERLING TO LADY DRUM'S HOSPITAL.

20th December, 1765.

EXTRACT from the said Jean Cattanach's Testament :—" Item, with the Sum of two Hundered Pounds Sterling to the Patrons Governours or Managers of Drum's Hospital, in Aberdeen, for the use and behooff of that charitable ffoundation, to be applied by them towards the upholding and repairing of the Houses and Lodgings therein, and for the more comfortable subsistance of such as shall be presented to and put upon that Charity ; hereby recommending any of my own relations, or any of the Relations of my deceased Husband, to the Benefite of this charity, if any of them shall have occasion therefor." Her own and Husband's kin to have preference.

Sum mortified	-	-	£200	0	0
Vide "Lady Drum's Mortification."					

MORTIFICATION BY REVEREND ANDREW GERARD, EPISCOPAL MINISTER IN ABERDEEN, OF £190 7s. 10d. STERLING, TO SUPPORT A SCHOOL IN ABDRDEEN.

19th November, 1766.

EXCERPT from his Last Will and Testament :—“ The sum of two hundred and twenty Pounds, Sterling Money, to be bestowed upon a free School within the Burgh of Aberdeen, for teaching poor Peoples Children to read the Bible, and any plain English book ; which sum is to be liferented by Margaret Gerard, my Sister, Widow of Alexander Kynoch, Shipmaster in Aberdeen, and Jean Kynoch, her Daughter, my Niece, and longest liver of them two ; and in regard I have appropriate and appointed the said sum of two hundred and twenty Pounds Sterling for a pious and charitable use, within the Burgh of Aberdeen, I hope the Magistrates and Town Council of the said Burgh will be pleased to accept of the same, and to give security therefore, at the legal Interest. And I hereby Nominate and appoint the Eldest Minister of the Burgh of Aberdeen, being one of the towns four Ministers, for the time, and the oldest Baillie of the said Burgh of Aberdeen, for the time, to be perpetual Patrons of this my Mortification and Donation, for presenting a proper Schoolmistres, and such children as shall offerto be taught at the said school ; Beseeching the saids Patrons to look out for a pious and virtuous woman to be Schoolmistres, from time to time, and to visite the school frequently, and to turn out both Mistres and Schol-

Eldest Minister, and
eldest Baillie
of Aberdeen,
to be Patrons.

Schoolmistress to be a pious
and virtuous
woman.

£6 to be paid yearly to
Schoolmis-
tress.

ars, upon their misbehaviour . . . and I appoint Six Pounds Sterling of the annual rent of the said stock to be paid yearly to the Schoolmistres, for her Sallary, at Whitsunday and Martinmas, by equal portions. Item, I appoint two Pounds ten shillings Sterling of the Annual rent of the foresaid Sum to be applied yearly for renting of a Schoolhouse, or the Stock of

the said two Pounds ten shillings sterling to be applyed for building, or purchaseing of a Schoolhouse of two Rooms ; and I appoint the remaining two Pounds ten shillings Sterling of the said annual rent to be applyed yearly for buying Books, to teach the Children in the School, whose number may not exceed Thirty, at a time ; and I appoint and ordain that this my Foundation and Institution be kept separate by itself, in all time coming ; and not to be Conjoined or mixed with any other foundation or Institution."

Children shall
not exceed
30 in number.

Sum actually received, - - - - - £190 7 10

MORTIFICATION BY BARBARA MENZIES, LAWFUL DAUGHTER OF THE DECEASED CHARLES MENZIES OF KINMUNDIE, W.S., OF 2000 MERKS SCOTS, TO FOUR UNMARRIED GENTLEWOMEN.

18th April, 1767.

THE latter will and testament of the said Barbara Menzies, to which Doctor James Forbes, and Doctor Alexander Donaldson, both Physicians in Aberdeen, are appointed Executors, has the following Clauses, viz :—"I do leave and destinate and mortify to the Master of Mortifications, for the time being, of the Town of Aberdeen, the sum of Two THOUSAND MERKS Scots money, . . . and I appoint and ordain the annual rent of the said two Thousand merks to be paid yearly, in the first place, to my Relations, who are in need thereof, preferable to any others who may claim the benefite of the same ; It being my intention that all those who can show the most distant relation to me be preferred to any other person ; and when no relation of mine does not claim the benefit of this Mortification, In that case, I appoint and ordain the annual rent of the above two thousand merks to be paid yearly to four unmarried Gentlewomen, who are in need thereof, being the annual rent of Five hundred merks Scots to each one of them."

Sum mortified, 2000 merks Scots, or £111 2 2
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER CRUDEN, CITIZEN AND STATIONER OF LONDON, OF £100 TO A BURSAR AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE, £10 TO THE POOR, £20 TO PURCHASE BIBLES FOR DISTRIBUTION, AND OF HIS SHARE IN THE "CONCORDANCE," FOR THE PURPOSES AFTER-MENTIONED.

10th April, 1770.

IN the Name of God, Amen. I Alexander Cruden, late a Citizen and Stationer of London, now living at Aberdeen . . . inter alia, seeing I have one hundred and sixty pounds of stock, as a stockholder, in the Stationers Company at London ; I Bequeath one hundred pounds of that sum to be a Bursary, or Benefice, to a Student in the Marischal College of Aberdeen, where I was Educated, to have the yearly interest or annual-rent of the said sum for four years, and if that sum of one hundred pounds cannot be, within a year after my decease, settled and secured, in such a manner, as to yield Five pounds a year, I desire that this Bursary may not take place, till it Description of shall yield that sum ; I desire that the person who shall enjoy Bursar. it may be Thirteen years old, and a native of Aberdeen, or of that County, or within twenty reputed miles of the said town, and that the person to be presented by my Executors, the Town Council of Aberdeen, may be Examined by the minister of the Even quarter of that town, and attested by him to be a sober youth, and to have the Westminster Assembly's Shorter Catechism by heart, and a competent knowledge of the Latin

Language. I desire that the preference to this benefice may be given to any of my Relations, and also to any of the name of Cruden, or Pyper. I do not intend that this benefice shall be obtained by competition, in the ordinary and public method.

I give and Bequeath to the Town Council of Aberdeen, in a Trust for the following purposes, my twenty sixth share, as a partner, in the Copy of the Concordance or Dictionary to the Holy Scriptures, which God hath been graciously pleased to enable me to publish, and the benefits and advantages arising to me from every future Impression, either as Author, or partner. The original agreement between the Author and Booksellers, the partners, is dated, at London, the Eleventh of August, one thousand seven hundred and Thirty five, whereby I and my heirs and Executors are entitled to twenty Guineas, and six Copies unbound, on every future Impression, from the Booksellers the partners. I desire and ordain that the Town Council of Aberdeen, my Executors, may manage and use all the profits and benefits, accruing or coming from any future Impression of the Concordance, as follows, Namely ; to purchase the following Books, and give them to seriously disposed persons, or families, in the Town or County of Aberdeen, or within twenty reputed miles of that town ; Fifty Bibles bound with the Scotch Psalms ; Fifty of the Westminster Assembly's Confession of Faith, bound with Catechisms and other parts, as usual ; Fifty Guthrie's Trial of a saving Interest in Christ ; fifty Token for Children ; Fifty Allen's Alarm to the unconverted ; Fifty Vincent's Explication of the Assembly's Shorter Catechism ; Fifty Willison's Explication of that Catechism ; Fifty Willison's Balm of Gilead ; Fifty Willison on the Sanctification of the Sabbath ; Fifty Watt's Songs for Children ; Fifty Watt's Spiritual Hymns ; Fifty Boston's four-fold State of Human Nature ; Fifty Haliburton's great concern of Salvation ; fifty Watts on Prayer ; fifty Henry on the pleasure of Religion ; Fifty Henry on the Lord's Supper ; One Thousand of the Assembly's Shorter Catechism ; and one thousand of the Mother's Catechism by Willison ; the two last articles to be sewed or pasted in purple paper ; and

His Relations,
or surnames of
Cruden and
Pyper shall
have a pre-
ference.

Proceeds of
Concordance
shall be de-
voted to the
purchase of
Books, as
mentioned.

the other Books to be well bound in good sheep leather. The above mentioned number of Books is to be proportionably increased, or diminished, as the money arising from the Impression of the Concordance, either as Author, or Partner, will admit. I desire that the six copies of the Concordance . . . I am intitled to on every Impression may be well bound and given by my Executors to Six pious and orthodox Ministers, or Preachers of the Gospell, in the Synod of Aberdeen . . .

£10 to the poor.

£20 to purchase and distribute Bibles, &c.

Council to be managers of this Mortification.

And I give and Bequeath ten Pounds to the Magistrates and Town Council of Aberdeen, in trust, my Executors, to be laid out in Coals, and other things, for Fire for the poor Families and indigent persons in Aberdeen, or its suburbs . . . and I give and Bequeath to the Magistrates and Town Council of Aberdeen, in Trust, my Executors, twenty Pounds to be applied as follows, namely, to purchase, within a year after my decease, Thirty Bibles bound with the Scotch Psalms, and Thirty of all the other Books above mentioned, the Books to be bound well in good sheep leather, and the Catechisms to be sewed or pasted in purple paper, and I desire that they may be given to seriously disposed persons, or Families, in the town, or County, of Aberdeen, or within twenty reputed miles of that Town. I desire their number may be proportionably increased, or diminished, as the sum of twenty pounds will admit. I do Nominate Constitute and appoint the Provost Baillies and Town Council of Aberdeen to be the only Executors of this my last will and testament, and, if any doubt or difficulty should arise relative thereto, I desire and appoint the Town Council of Aberdeen fully and finally to determine it.

Sums mortified—

To a Bursar,	-	-	£100	0	0
To the Poor,	-	-	10	0	0
To purchase Bibles,	-	-	20	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER THOMSON OF BANCHORY
OF £20 STERLING, PER ANNUM, TO THE SUPPORT
OF DECAYED BURGESSES, THEIR WIVES, WIDOWS,
CHILDREN, OR GRANDCHILDREN.

12th April, 1771.

THE following is an Excerpt from the Deed of Mortification by Alexander Thomson of Banchory, Advocate in Aberdeen, in favour of the Master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, of an annuity of Twenty Pounds Sterling yearly, out of All and Whole his part and East Division of the Town and Lands of Balquharn, part of the Barony of Portlethen, lying in the Parish of Banchory Devenick, and Sheriffdom of Kincardine :—“ I here-
by nominate and appoint the Provost Baillies and Towne Coun-
sell of Aberdeen to be perpetual patrons of this my mortifica-
tion and donation, who are to have power to distribute the
said annuity of twenty Pound sterling, in such proportions as
they think proper, (after the respective deceases of certain
Legatees named in said deed) to the indigent persons after de-
scribed, but not giving above ten pounds sterling to any one, and I recommend to the said Patrons to bestow the said an-
nuity of twenty Pound sterling towards the support and man-
tenance of old infirm Burgesses of gild of this burgh, and their
wives, or to their widows, or to the sons or grandsons, Daugh-
ters, or granddaughters, of Burgesses of gild of this Burgh.
(The persons receiving the benefit being old, infirm, and not
able to gain a livelyhood, and being of pious dispositions.) But
with preference alwise to my own Relations, in the first place,
whether they be of the forsaid qualification or not, and to the
Relations of Katharine Skene my Spouse, in the second place,
and to those of the surnames of Thomson and Skene in the
third place ; Recommending my own relations also to the
benefit of the mortification made by Agnes Divvie, widow of

His own and
wife's kin, and
surnames of
Thomson and
Skene, respec-
tively, to be
preferred.

No one allow-
ance to exceed
£10.

Andrew Thompson, Advocate in Aberdeen, my Granduncle, Recorded in the Town's Register, called the Black book of Mortifications ; and the saids Patrons may have it under consideration that my Father and I contribute to the New fund of the gild box, when any of my Relations apply. And I have made out a genealogical account of my own and my wifes relations, which will be a directory for their preference according to their propinquity. And I seriously recommend to the said Patrons, to cause keep an annual charge and discharge of the foresaid annuity of £20 Sterling, in their annual accounts, perpetually, in all time coming."

Sum mortified per annum,

£20 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE OGILVIE, OF £50 STERLING, FOR A FOUNDLING HOSPITAL IN ABERDEEN.

Aberdeen, 1st February, 1772.

My Lord Provost,

At a late Meeting in the Town House when you did me the honour to present me with the Freedom of this City, you will remember a Proposal was made for Erecting a Foundling Hospital here and opening a subscription for that purpose. This was approven of by many of the Gentlemen then present and particularly by Mr. Davidson, Solicitor at London, who engaged to procure a charter for this Erection. . . . As I then seconded the Proposal and agreed to Contribute my mite for an Undertaking of such extensive Utility, by which many valuable Lives may be preserved for the publick service, I have this day given an order on my Friend Provost Jopp, to pay you Fifty pound sterling, as a beginning of a stock for Erecting a Foundling Hospital in Aberdeen, which I desire may be lent out at Interest at the sight of the Magis-

trates of this place, untill as much money shall be raised from the subscriptions to this Plan and Interests thereof as will be a sufficient Capital for the Commencement of so useful a work.

If the contributions for this plan, with the Interests and accumulations arising therefrom, shall, in the space of ten years from this date, amount to the sum of One Thousand pounds sterling, I think the success of the undertaking may be looked on as certain. But, if it shall not amount to the above sum, and that the Undertaking shall be then thought Impracticable, I desire the Interest then arising from the Contributions to this Plan may be annually thereafter paid in to the Infirmary of Aberdeen: meantime, I request the magistrates and Town Council will enter the whole subscriptions to this Fund in a separate account, to be patent to all the subscribers, and that no part of the moneys arising therefrom shall be appropriate to any other purpose until the expiry of the said ten years . . . I have the honour to be, with the greatest respect, my Lord Provost, Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) **GEO. OGILVIE.**

Sum mortified, - - - £50 0 0

MORTIFICATION BY WALTER COCHRANE, TOWN CLERK
DEPUTE OF ABERDEEN, OF 1000 MERKS SCOTS, TO
POOR UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS OF GENTLEMEN OR
BURGESSSES.

6th January, 1773.

FOLLOWS an Excerpt from the said Walter Cochrane's Deed of Settlement :—" Item, with the Burden of the payment out of the Fee of the other two thirds of the said Fishings, at the first term of Whitsunday or Martinmas after the decease of the

said Helen Udny, (my Spouse) of the sum of One Thousand merks Scots, to be made to the Dean of Guild of Aberdeen, which is to be kept by the said Dean of Guild, as a perpetual Mortification, the annual rent of which is to be annually paid Council to be to unmarried women, Gentlemen, or Burgesses' Daughters, who Patrons. are in indigent circumstances, by order of the Magistrates and His own and wife's kin to Town Council of Aberdeen, my own and wife's relations being have a prefer- still to be preferred."

Sum mortified, 1000 merks Scots, or £55 11 1

MORTIFICATION BY MISS BELL CATTANACH, OF £100
STERLING, TO LADY DRUM'S HOSPITAL.

7th September, 1774.

FOLLOWS Extract from Council Register, Vol. lxiv. page 30 :—"The said day, the Provest acquainted the Council that he had received a Card from Dr. William Thom, advising that the late Miss Bell Cattanach had by her Will bequeathed, under his oversight, one hundred Pounds Sterling to Lady Drum's Hospital, of which the Council are Patrons."

Sum mortified, - - - £100 0 0

Vide Lady Drum's Mortification.

MORTIFICATION BY MRS. WILD OF £50
TO BURGESSES' UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS.

20th December, 1777.

THERE is an entry of the above date in the accounts of the Master of Guild Brethren's Hospital, of which the following

is an Extract:—"The Counter charges himself with Fifty Pounds Sterling, paid into him by Baillie William Cruden, in terms of the mortifyer's will . . . the annual rent to be given to single women, Burger's daughters, about 50 years old, preferring her own Relations, or those of the names of Cruden, or Piper, to any other."

Sum mortified,	-	-	£50 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY MRS. ANN WHITE, SOMETIME RESIDING IN ABERDEEN, OF £20 STERLING, TO THE GUILD BRETHREN'S HOSPITAL.

10th December, 1785.

THE following is an Excerpt from the last Will of the said Mrs. Ann White, which is dated 8th July, 1777:—"To the Borger of Gild's Hospetell in Aberdeen, I leave Twenty Pound Sterling, reserving, nevertheless, the annual rent of it to my Cousin Hellen Menzies, and failing her, to her Sister Mary Menzies, and failing them both, to one of Mary's Two Children, to one after another, if they need it."

Sum mortified,	-	-	£20 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN NICOLL, MERCHANT IN ABERDEEN, AND HELEN WILSON, HIS SPOUSE, OF £100 TO GUILD BURGESSES, £100 TO TRADES' BURGESSES, £100 TO THE KIRK SESSION, AND OF £100 TO POOR'S HOUSE.

26th May, 1790.

THE following is an Excerpt from the Deed of settlement of John Nicoll, merchant in Aberdeen, and Helen Wilson, his

spouse :—“ And we declare it to be our joint will and desire that the annual produce of the foresaid sum of one hundred pounds sterling, left to the Treasury of Aberdeen, be applied for the relief and assistance of the Families of two decayed merchant Burgesses of Aberdeen. That the annual produce of the foresaid sum of one hundred pounds Sterling, left to the Trades' Hospital of Aberdeen, be applied for the relief and assistance of the Families of two decayed Trades Burgesses of Aberdeen. That the annual produce of the foresaid sum of one Hundred Pounds Sterling, left to the Kirk Session of Aberdeen, be applied for the relief and assistance of the families of two other Inhabitants of Aberdeen, (not of this Incorporation), on the charity of the Kirk Session, and that the annual produce of the foresaid sum of one hundred Pounds Sterling, left to the Poor House of Aberdeen, be applied for the relief and assistance of the families of two Inhabitants of Aberdeen, (not of the Incorporations), on the charity of the Poor House ; the relations of us or either of us, and persons of the name of Nicol or Wilson, in the several departments, being always preferable to others ; with power however to the managers of these several Funds, when no Relations of ours are enjoying the benefit of these Legacies, to change the persons who are to have the benefit thereof annually, as they shall see necessary.”

Their own kin
and surnames
to have prefer-
ence.

Sum mortified, to Guild Burgesses,	£100	0	0
Other mortifications,	300	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE JOHN ABERCROMBIE, OF
£200 STERLING, TO THE GUILD BOX.

20th June, 1790.

THE following Excerpt is taken from the Guildry Accounts for the years 1789-90 :— “ Item the Compter charges himself with Two hundred Pounds Sterling, received from Baillie

Abercrombie's Executors, in consequence of his latter will, whereby he appointed them to pay that sum to the Dean of Guild, for the time, to be laid out at Interest, and recommended to the Magistrates and Council to pay, out of the annual rents, Five Pounds Sterling to Ann Snawie his Servant, To maintain a yearly, during her life, and, after her death, the Interest to be Burgess of applied for the maintenance of a Widow of a Burgess of Guild's widow. Guild."

Sum mortified,	-	-	£200	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY HELEN CRUICKSHANK, DAUGHTER OF PROVOST CRUICKSHANK, OF £50 STERLING, TO POOR.

20th December, 1790.

OF the above date, the following Entry occurs in the Mortification accounts :—" Imprimis, the Compter charges himself with fifty Pounds Sterling, being the amount of the donation resting on Muchals, at 4 per cent."

Sum mortified,	-	-	£50	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY SIR WILLIAM FORDYCE, £1000 FOUR PER CENT. CONSOLIDATED BANK ANNUITIES, TO PAY A LECTURER ON AGRICULTURAL CHEMISTRY AND NATURAL HISTORY.

24th December, 1790.

EXTRACT from the will of Sir William Fordyce, Knight, Doctor of Physic :—" I give and bequeath to my Nephew, William

Alexander Hay, all my English Books in Medicine and Surgery ; and I give and bequeath all my Medical Library, (other than the Books above bequeathed to my said Nephew), To the Provost and other Magistrates, Principal and other Professors of the Marischal College of Aberdeen, to be deposited and preserved in the Library of that College, except such of the said Books as are Duplicates, which may be sold and the produce laid out in the purchase of other Books relating to the Lecture, hereinafter by me directed to be established. And I give and bequeath to my friend, George Crawford of Moneyhill, Esq., by Rickmansworth, the sum of £1000 consolidated 4 per cent. Bank Annuities, standing in my name, upon Trust, to permit my sister-in-law, Ann Fordyce, widow, and her unmarried Daughter, Jessie Fordyce, to receive the Dividends or annual produce thereof, during their joint lives, and the survivor of them during her life . . . and I hereby direct that, after the decease of the survivor of the said Ann Fordyce and her Daughter, the annual Income and Dividends arising from the said Consolidated 4 per cent. Bank Annuities shall be

Provost and
others in Aber-
deen to be
Patrons.

applied annually by the said Provost and others to pay a Lecturer on Chemistry, Natural History, and Agriculture, for 12 Lectures on such subjects as belong thereto, in the Public Hall of the said College, once a-year, for ever, at any season of the year that the principal and professors shall judge best ; recommending an examination of the soil of all Earths, Minerals, and Metals, found in the County of Aberdeen, in the beds of Rivers, Rocks, &c. that are likely to be of public use ; hoping that some liberal minded man, or body of men, in that Country, will cherish such an undertaking by their protection, if it should please Heaven to remove me hence, before I have completed my intentions concerning it."

Sum mortified,	-	-	-	£1000	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY BAILLIE DANIEL CARGIL, OF THE
RESIDUE OF HIS ESTATE (AMOUNTING TO £1068) ✓
FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF LUNATICS.

14th June, 1798.

GENERAL Court of the President and Managers of the Infirmary, held in the Town-hall, June 14th, 1798,

Of which Provost Leys was President.

The President gave in to the Meeting Proposals by the Trustees of the late Baillie Daniel Cargil, the tenor whereof follows, viz. :—

Proposals from Baillie James Cruickshank, and Baillie William Shepherd, the only surviving Trustees of the deceased Baillie Daniel Cargil, in regard to the general application of the Residue of the Defunct's subjects, and according to which proposals, when agreed to by the Managers of the Infirmary, the said Trustees have resolved to invest them with the said Residue, to be applied for the purpose of establishing a Fund for the support and maintenance of BEDLAMITES or LUNATICS, viz; 1st, That the money to be paid in by the Trustees shall be appropriated for the purpose of affording relief and protection to persons disordered in their Reason.

2dly, That a distinct and separate account shall be kept of the monies, to be assigned by the Trustees, from the other Revenues of the Infirmary, excepting what part is hereafter recommended to be annexed, or any other sum that may be granted or bequeathed for the purpose of this Institution.

3dly, That, as soon as may be convenient, after the Funds have arisen to a sum equal to the expence of accomodating and maintaining twelve Patients, a Building for an Hospital, to be called the Bedlam or Lunatic Hospital, shall be erected. So soon as funds will permit, an Hospital for 12 Lunatics to be erected on some convenient place, in the vicinity of the Town

of Aberdeen, as shall afford proper accommodation for the above or such farther number of Patients disordered in reason, there to be maintained and cared for, as the Managers shall judge proper, and their Funds admit of.

Six of the surname of Cargil shall have a preference; next, inhabitants of Aberdeen for 5 years.

4thly, That those of the name of Cargil, to the number of six, shall have a preference to be admitted into the said Hospital in the first place, and Indwellers within the City of Aberdeen, who have been resident there not less than five years, in the second place, whom failing, any other persons properly recommended as suitable objects. But providing always that none be admitted as Patients on the charge of this Foundation, but such as are in indigent circumstances, and without the means of proper care and protection. But that persons not under such circumstances may be admitted as Patients into the Hospital, on payment being made, for their account, of such reasonable sum as the Managers may judge to be a sufficient consideration for their care and maintenance,

5thly, It is recommended that the monies agreed to be paid in by the Magistrates and Council of Aberdeen, to the Infirmary for a similar purpose, commonly called the Bedlam Fund, be annexed to this Fund under such Regulations as they may judge proper, as the means of making both more effectually and extensively useful. And therefore,

Magistrates of Aberdeen shall have a preferable right to present 5 persons.

6thly, That the Magistrates of Aberdeen shall have a preferable Right to recommend Five Patients to the said Hospital, who shall be received and maintained therein, exclusive of the number of Patients that already are, or may hereafter be stipulated for between the Magistrates and the Managers of the Infirmary, to be received into the said Hospital, in consequence of any grant in favour of, or of money paid in by them for behoof of the said Bedlam or Lunatic Hospital. Providing always that the Five Patients, so to be recommended by the Magistrates, are of the description and qualified agreeably to the Rule of Reference in the fourth article of these Propositions.

7thly, That the Managers of the Infirmary, who shall also be declared to be the Patrons and Managers of this Foun-

dation, may ordain such Regulations for the admission of Patients, and for the management of the Hospital, as they may judge proper, provided that nothing be enacted by them contrary to the spirit and intent of the foregoing Propositions.

Aberdeen, May 28, 1798.

(Signed) JAMES CRUICKSHANK.
W_M. SHEPHERD.

The Meeting having taken into Consideration the above Proposals by the Trustees of the late Baillie Daniel Cargil, they unanimously agree to the said Proposals, and return their hearty thanks to the said Trustees for their benevolent intentions.

Amount of Surplus, - - -	£1068 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY DAVID MITCHELL OF HOLLOWAY DOWN, ESSEX, OF £2000, THREE PER CENT. CONSOLIDATED ANNUITIES, FOR BURSARIES AT MARISCHAL COLLEGE.

2d April, 1801.

Know all men, By these Presents, I David Mitchell of Holloway Down, in the county of Essex, England, A.M. . . . have Mortified Transferred and Assigned . . . to and in favors of the Principal and Professors of Marischal College and University of Aberdeen, and their successors in office, the sum of Two THOUSAND POUNDS Consolidated three per cent. Government Annuities . . . But not to uplift or transfer the Capital, which

shall remain, for ever, in the hands of Government unalienable, and which Dividends to be in Trust only ; and in order that the same may be applied to the Maintenance and Education of

To maintain 6 poor Bursars of good genius and disposition. Six Boys, as Bursars, at the foresaid College, who are of good Genius and Disposition, and whose Parents are poor and indigent, and not able, without aid, to maintain them at the said College, or whose Parents are dead, and who have not means of their own for maintaining themselves sufficiently thereat ; and I hereby appoint that these Bursaries shall be bestowed

Bursaries to be disposed of by public competition. upon such Boys, of the above description, as shall be found entitled to the same by the merit of their performances at the Public Competition, to be annually advertised and held for the disposal of Bursaries, at the foresaid College, at the commencement of the Session ; But, where of equal merit or nearly so, Boys of the Name of Mitchell or Forbes are to have the preference, and next to them, such Boys, found duly qualified, as were born in the City of Aberdeen, are to be preferred to those who were born in the Country ; and I appoint that each Boy, admitted to the benefit of the Bursaries, hereby established, shall enjoy the same, during the space of Four years, and shall attend regularly the Bajan or Greek Class, and the three Philosophy Classes, and also the first and second Mathematical Classes, according to the usual course at the College ; and I appoint each Bursar to receive annually, during the continuance of his Bursary, at the conclusion of each

Bursars shall receive £10 per annum. session of the College, the sum of ten Pounds Sterling, or so much as his own sixth share of the Dividends of the foresaid Capital may amount to, after the deduction of necessary charges ; and I ordain the Bursars, hereby established, to pay strict regard to all the Laws and Regulations of the foresaid College, and in case of their failing therein, or being guilty of

Bursar misbehaving in any way shall be deprived. any vice, or misbehaviour, deserving of deprivation, I empower and require the Principal and Professors aforesaid to deprive such undeserving Student of his Bursary, and so often as any Bursary on this Foundation becomes vacant, by the death, resignation, or deprivation, of the Bursar, I authorise the Principal and Professors aforesaid to bestow the same, during

Principal and Professors to be Patrons.

the remainder of the course, on any deserving student at the College, whose circumstances may require it, observing always the same order of preference, as before mentioned, in favor of the name of **MITCHELL** and **FORBES**, and of those born in Aberdeen, in preference of those born in the Country . . . and I appoint and ordain the said Principal and Professors to render an account to the Provost and Magistrates of their care and application of the sum hereby vested in them, and of the Dividends, Interests, and Profits, arising therefrom, for the use of the said Bursars, and that when they shall be required, and that the accounts thereof shall be annually audited by the Treasurer of the said City, for the time being, and in case of any mismanagement or embezzlement, that the said Provost and Magistrates shall sue for redress.

Principal and
Professors
shall render
account of
their manage-
ment to Pro-
vost and Ma-
gistrates.

Sum mortified,	-	-	-	£2000 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN DAVIDSON, GOLDSMITH IN ABERDEEN, OF £1000 STERLING, TO THE MAINTENANCE OF A SCHOOL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AT FOOTDEE.

19th January, 1803.

EXCERPT from his last Will and Testament :—

“ Fifthly, I appoint my said Executors to pay to the Provost of Aberdeen, the Master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, the youngest Minister of Aberdeen, and the Minister established at Footdee, within the Freedom of the Burgh of Aberdeen, all

Provost,
Master of
Mortifications,
youngest
Minister of
Aberdeen, and
Minister of
Footdee shall
be Trustees.

for the time being, the sum of one thousand pounds Sterling, which I leave and bequeath to them, in trust, for the purposes following, viz: That the said Provost of Aberdeen, the Master of Mortifications thereof, the youngest Minister of Aberdeen, and the Minister at Footdee, and their successors in these offices, whom, or the major part of whom, accepting and acting, I constitute perpetual Trustees for the management of this bequest, do lay out the foresaid sum of one thousand pounds at Interest, on the security of the Treasurer, or any of the other public office bearers of the Burgh, (in preference to other securities) and do allow the same to accumulate, until there shall be a principal sum of eleven hundred pounds Sterling; and thereafter, out of the Interest of said eleven hundred pounds, do cause erect a proper school house for the purposes after mentioned, in some convenient situation, in and near to Footdee aforesaid, containing two apartments, one for Girls, and another for Boys, and that they may and do, after payment of the expence of the Schoolhouse, out of the Interest of said accumulated sum, in all time thereafter, employ and pay a proper master for the education and instruction, *gratis*, of the male children of the Whitefishers and Pilots, in and about

Instruction to
be given,
gratis, to the
sons of poor
Whitefishers
and Seafaring
people in Foot-
dee, and to
Female Chil-
dren.

Footdee, as well as the male children of such seafaring people in the neighbourhood of or in Footdee who cannot afford them proper education, particularly in reading, writing, arithmetic, Book-keeping, and Navigation, or such of these Branches as may suit their different geniuses; and, in like manner, employ and pay a skilful and prudent woman as a school-mistress for teaching and instructing the female children of the persons above mentioned (also *gratis*) in reading, writing, spinning, sewing, and knitting; The said schools to be under the Regulation, superintendance, and direction of the said Trustees, and

Surplus, if
any, to be ap-
plied to the
maintenance
of children or
widows of
Pilots, who
have perished
by storm, &c.

if after defraying the expence of the school-house, and the salaries to the Master and Mistress, there shall remain any surplus of the interest of said eleven hundred pounds, I appoint the said Trustees to give and apply the same, annually, toward the maintenance and support of the infant children, or widows, of any Whitefishers or Pilots in Footdee who may have per-

ished by any of the accidents, to which people in that way of Life are frequently exposed, and that according to the best of their own discretion."

Sum mortified,	-	-	-	£1000 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN MATHER, SURVEYOR, OF
£4000 STERLING, TO THE VARIOUS PURPOSES
AFTER-MENTIONED.

18th February, 1807.

" I John Mather, surveyor, . . . do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following :—As the Interest of my property will, at all events, realize two hundred pounds (£200), Sterling, per annum, I will and bequeath unto my Father Robert Mather, at the Mill of Newburgh, near Aberdeen, North Britain, the annual sum of one hundred pounds (£100) Sterling during his Life. Should it turn out that my step-mother survives him, she shall have sixty pounds (£60) Sterling, per annum, during her life.

2d. The other hundred pounds (£100) Sterling, is to be disposed of as follows, viz :—For the Education and Clothing £55 per annum for the instruction and clothing of 20 poor Fishermen's sons of Newburgh. of twenty (20) poor Fishermen's sons of Newburgh, in the Parish of Foveran, on condition that, when instructed and come to a proper age, they be indentured apprentices for the sea, Fifty five Pounds (£55) Sterling ; the system of Education is to include navigation.

3rd. To the Parson, or Schoolmaster, of Foveran, for Lecturing and reading Prayers once a-week to the poor people of the Newburgh, and its Environs, twenty five Pounds (£25) of Foveran. Sterling. Farther, on the condition of six (6) sick, lame or

otherwise diseased people being admitted, annually, for relief
 £20 to Infir- into the Aberdeen Infirmary, . . . in conjunction with the
 mary. Parson's Certificate, that they are proper objects of admission
 . . . I say I allot twenty pounds (£20) Sterling to be at the
 disposal of the Trustees of that Infirmary, on this account.

£20 for Educa- 4th. In like manner, for the Education of Eight (8) poor
 tion of 4 poor people's sons in the parishes of Foveran and Fyvie, that is
 boys from four (4) each, twenty pounds (£20) Sterling ; this is also
 Fyvie, and 4 to furnish books for them, and they are to be brought on to
 from Foveran, College, and are expressly to be sent there ; for which the far-
 and giving them Books. ther sum of Fifty pounds (£50) Sterling, or at the rate of six
 £50 to send Pounds (£6) Five shillings (5s), each, for their support, during
 them to College. the Sessions, is allowed ; the youths of the Parishes are to be
 selected by the Parsons, and every care taken of their Morals.

£30 for 6 Bur- 5th. And finally the farther sum of Thirty Pounds (£30)
 sars, to be under the Sterling per annum, I request may be distributed into six (6)
 charge of the Burses of Five (£5) Pounds each, and to be Presentation
 Principal and Professors of Burses in my name, and at the disposal of the Principal and
 Marischal College. Professors of the Marischal College of Aberdeen, where the
 young men approved of are to be educated. The Legacies 4th
 and 5th, are only to take effect gradually after my Father and
 Mother's decease."

Magistrates appointed Trustees.

Here follows a Codicil to the foregoing :—" I John Mather, Surveyor, do, this eighteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seven, make and publish this Codicil to my last will and testament, in manner following ; That is to say, that I hereby nominate and appoint the Honorable the Provost and Magistrates of the City of Aberdeen, North Britain, for the time being, my perpetual Trustees, to the due execution of my last will and testament ; in confidence whereof, I trust they will deposite in perpetual safety all my property, that shall be remitted from my Executors in India, and cause to be paid the annual legacies specified in my last will and testament. I allot the sum of (£5) per annum to the Town Clerk or Register of the said City in consideration of his trouble in keeping the accounts, and paying the legacies

annually ; . . . The principal to be funded as soon as possible to the best advantage at annual Interest."

Amount actually received,	-	£4000 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY MRS. ELIZABETH DURNO, OR CRUICK-SHANK, OF £50 STERLING TO ORPHANS.

13th July, 1820.

THE following is an Excerpt from the testament of Mrs. Elizabeth Durno, otherwise Cruickshank, Relict of the deceased Thomas Cruickshank, merchant in Aberdeen. After bequeath-ing to certain Individuals £600, part of £650 contained in the Treasurer of Aberdeen's Bill to her, the testament proceeds in the following words :—" And the remaining sum of Fifty Pounds, contained in the Treasurer of Aberdeen's Bill to me aforesaid, I bequeath . . . and appoint to be paid to the Master of Mortifications of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and the Interest thereof yearly, to be applied for the benefit and maintenance of Orphans, but in case of an application from any of my poor re-
lations, they are to be preferred to the benefit of this Mortifi-
cation." Her own poor
kin to be pre-
ferred.

Sum mortified,	-	£50 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY JOHN BURNETT OF DENS, OF £880,
 FOR INOCULATION OF THE POOR, £1670 FOR
 SUPPORT OF PAUPER LUNATICS, AND OF £690
 FOR A CHAPLAIN TO THE PRISON.

2d July, 1824.

EXCERPT from the Council Register, Vol, lxxi. folio, 53 :—
 “ Which day, the Provost laid before the Council a Memorial,
 of date the 17th of June last, addressed to them by Mr. Alex-
 ander Galen, merchant in Aberdeen, in name of the Trustees
 of the deceased John Burnett, Esq. of Dens, sometime mer-
 chant in Aberdeen, of the following tenor and import, viz :—
 ‘ Memorial of Alexander Galen for the Trustees of the deceas-
 ed John Burnett, Esq. of Dens, merchant in Aberdeen, to the
 Honorable the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council
 of Aberdeen ; The said Mr. Burnett in his lifetime, about
 Forty years ago, set apart £500 for the following charitable
 purposes, and vested the same in his Trustees, recommending
 to improve them at Interest, and to apply them agreeably to
 his intentions, expressing, at same time, a hope that, as these
 of themselves could not go far, others might thereby be in-
 duced to appropriate sums for similar purposes, viz :—

For promoting Inoculation among the poor,	£200
For the benefit or support of pauper Lunatics,	200
For a Chaplain to the Aberdeen Prison,	100

‘ The Vaccine Institution established in Aberdeen, about 20
 years ago, has been wholly supported from the first, at £25 to
 £30 yearly, and Mr. Thom present Chaplain to the Prison
 has received £20 yearly from the last, for 6 or 7 years bygone,
 and which are both to be continued for the present.

‘ After which payments, with the accumulation of interest, there will still remain, at Whitsunday 1824, belonging to

The Fund for Inoculation among the poor,	£880
- for support of Pauper Lunatics,	1670
- for a Chaplain to the Prison,	690
	—
	£3240

‘ As these funds are principally intended for the benefit of the Town and Parish of Aberdeen, although not strictly confined to that, it has occurred to Mr. Burnett’s Trustees that, in order to preserve the said Funds entire, and to secure the permanent application of the Interest they may yield, agreeably to the Mortifier’s intentions, it would be advisable and most proper, to put them under the charge of the Master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, to be kept on three distinct accounts under these three heads. The money being presently in the hands of the Treasurer of Aberdeen, it will only require to transfer the same from him to the Master of Mortifications. If this plan shall be adopted, the Trustees consider that they are entitled to require that these accounts shall be credited annually with the current Interest that may be allowed and paid to other Creditors of the Town, for the time being, on both principal and any Savings of Interest. The Trustees also reserve to themselves a voice in the application of the Interest, and a preferable right to recommend objects to the benefit thereof, agreeably to the Mortifier’s appointment.

Funds not
strictly con-
fined to the
Town and
Parish of
Aberdeen.

‘ Mr. Burnett’s Trustees are empowered to nominate successors, with the same rights they have themselves, but it is very likely that, in time, this may be neglected, when they will of course die out. In that case, the application will devolve entirely on the Magistrates, and when that shall happen, it is hereby expressly conditioned that they shall adhere strictly to the intentions of the Mortifier, as above expressed, in the distribution of the annual interest. But the principal, as now proposed to be made over, shall in no case be encroached upon, or diminished. And in regard to the Lunatic Fund, it is understood and hereby declared, that if any proper objects in

Magistrates to
be Trustees.

Funds shall
not be en-
croached upon

Persons connected with
Dens or
Crichie to be
preferred to
Lunatic Fund.

that unhappy situation belonging to, or connected with, Mr. Burnett's property in the Country of Dens and Crichie, shall apply, that they shall have a decided preference, if any opening on the fund at the time, or to the first opening that may occur thereafter. The above is respectfully submitted to the consideration of the Magistrates, and if they comply with the proposal here made, that they will have the goodness to signify the same to the Trustees.

‘Aberdeen, 17th June, 1824.

(Signed) AL. GALEN, for the Trustees.’

“Which Memorial having been read over to, and considered by the Council, They unanimously agreed to accept of the charitable Funds mentioned in said Memorial, as proposed to be transferred by Mr. Burnett's Trustees and placed under the charge of the Master of Mortifications, and to apply the yearly interest they may yield for behoof of the several charities, agreeable to the Mortifier's intentions, and also to comply with the other conditions, contained in said Memorial, in all respects.”

Sums mortified—

For Inoculation of the Poor,	-	£880	0	0
For Pauper Lunatics,	-	1670	0	0
For Chaplain to Prison,	-	690	0	0

MORTIFICATION BY MRS. CATHARINE MILNE, OR BOW,
OF £120 STERLING, TO THE PAUPER LUNATIC
FUND.

28th February, 1828.

IN the Council Register, Vol. lxxii. page 70, the following Excerpt is given from the Trust Deed and Settlement of the said Mrs. Catharine Milne, or Bow, designed as sometime Stay and Corset Maker in Aberdeen, “For assisting the wants of

the Parochial Pauper Lunatic Fund of Aberdeen, the Sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds Sterling, which Sum is to be paid to the Magistrates, or Master of Mortifications, for the City of Aberdeen, and the Interest thereof paid annually to the Treasurer of the said Pauper Lunatic Fund, for behoof of said Charity, under deduction . . . of three shillings and four pence Sterling, at the end of every forty years, to the proprietor of the Spittal Church Yard, as a renewal of the right to the burying ground therein conveyed to me, and of such other sum as may be required for maintaining the enclosure and in performance of the other Stipulations contained in said Conveyance, which burdens shall diminish for the time the Interest that will become due and payable to the foresaid fund ; and further declaring that, if there shall cease to be a parochial pauper Lunatic Fund, then and in that case the said Sum shall be considered as forming the commencement of a fund under the charge of the Magistrates for the same object ; of which they shall be the perpetual Patrons.”

Under deduction of the expense of maintaining her burial lair, &c.

Sum mortified	£120	0	0
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MORTIFICATION BY DR. ANDREW BELL, OF £9791 13s. 4d.
STERLING, FOR THE SUPPORT OF MADRAS SCHOOLS
IN THE CITIES OF ABERDEEN AND OLD ABERDEEN.

14th July, 1831.

THE following is an Extract from the Declarations of Trusts, granted by the Magistrates and Councils of said Cities, in reference to said Mortification, recorded at page 144 of the lxxii. Vol. of the Council Register ; in which the saids Magistrates and Councils,—“ considering that, by Indenture and Declaration of Trusts, made in the English form, and entered into, between

the Reverend Andrew Bell, of Egmore, Doctor in Divinity and Laws, and Prebendary of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, of the one part,"—and his Trustees, on the other,—“ which Indenture recites that the said Andrew Bell had caused to be transferred into the joint names of” the said Trustees, “the two several sums of sixty thousand pounds, three per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, and sixty thousand pounds, three per centum Reduced Bank Annuities,” and that they the said Trustees, “declared they would forthwith transfer and retain the said two several sums upon the Trustees, mentioned in the said Indenture, and among these, upon the Trusts following:—That is to say, to retain the sum of two thousand and five hundred pounds, part thereof, as a fund for the payment of such Costs as are mentioned in the said Indenture, and subject thereto, to divide the said Stocks into twelve equal parts and to transfer one such twelfth part unto . . . the Provost, Magistrates and Council of the said City of Aberdeen, (the old and new parts of that City being considered conjointly as one) and it is by the said Indenture provided, that the Transfer, so directed to be made, should be upon this indispensable condition,” that the said transferred Stock should, by the said Magistrates and Council, “and their Successors in office, be

To found and employed for the founding or maintenance of a School, or maintain a school for teaching male and female children the ordinary branches of education on the “Madras System.” Schools, in the said Cities of Aberdeen, for the instruction of Children, whether male or female, or both, in the ordinary branches of Education, but so that the tuition at the said School shall be upon the system of mutual instruction, and moral discipline, which is known by the appellation of the Madras system, and of which system the said Dr. Andrew Bell was the author; . . . and, in regard to the aforesaid Sum of Two Thousand Five hundred Pounds, it is by the said Indenture declared that, after the application of such parts thereof, as shall be required for costs and charges, as set forth in the said Indenture, that the balance and remainder,” shall be transferred to the respective Trusts, and in the respective proportions, expressed in said Indenture. “And whereas, doubts having arisen on the construction of the said Indenture, whether the

said Donation was meant to be extended to the City of Old Aberdeen, or to be confined to the old and new parts of the City of Aberdeen, and the said Doctor Andrew Bell having been applied to for an explanation of his intentions, he by letter declared that his intention was, and is, that both Towns, the old and new, should participate in the advantages of his said donation, in a just and equitable proportion." And farther Considering, that the said Trustees had caused to be transferred to the Provosts and Treasurers of the said Cities of old and new Aberdeen, " All and whole the Sum of Four thousand Eight hundred and Ninety Five Pounds, Sixteen shillings, and Eight pence, three per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, and all and whole the Sum of Four thousand Eight hundred and Ninety Five Pounds, Sixteen shillings, and Eight pence, three per centum Reduced Bank Annuities, which sums are each, respectively, equal to one twelfth part" of the aforesaid two several Sums of Sixty Thousand Pounds each, after deducting the aforesaid sum of Two thousand Five hundred Pounds, retained as aforesaid for Costs and Charges in the execution of the said trust; therefore, the saids Provosts, Magistrates, and Councils of the said Cities discharge and acquit the said Trustees of the said Dr. Andrew Bell, and bind and oblige them, and their Successors in office, to apply the said Sums in manner directed in said Indenture. And they further bind themselves, either to permit the foresaid two Sums, falling to them, " to remain in the funds aforesaid, or to invest the proceeds thereof, in some one of the Government Securities, or upon heritable or other sufficient securities, as shall from time to time be thought fitting . . . Reserving always to us, and our Successors in office, such share as may be due to us, or our Successors aforesaid, of the balance of the aforesaid Sum of Two thousand and Five hundred Pounds, that may remain, after answering the purposes to which it is destined."

Amount actually realized, after deduction of Sum due to Old Aberdeen &c. &c., -	£6213 8 4
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MORTIFICATION BY JANET FORDYCE, EDINBURGH, OF
 £30 STERLING TO THE POOR OF ABERDEEN.

30th March, 1835.

Council Regis- THE same day, the Clerk laid before the Council a letter, ad-
 ter, vol. lxxiii., dressed to him, bearing date the 14th March current, from
 p. 165. John Murray Esq: W. S. Edinburgh, intimating that the late
 Miss Janet Fordyce, Edinburgh, residing in No. 10 Lower
 Gray Street, Newington, who died on the 19th January last,
 had left a legacy of Thirty Pounds, to the Poor of the City of
 Aberdeen, to be paid into the hands of the Magistrates of
 Aberdeen.

Sum actually received	-	-	£27 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY ALEXANDER MARR, SHIPBUILDER IN
 ABERDEEN, OF £40 STERLING, TO TEACH 4 SONS
 OF OPERATIVE SHIPWRIGHTS AT ST. CLEMENT'S
 SCHOOL.

3d November, 1837.

THE following is an Extract from Council Register, Vol. lxxiv. folio . . . :—" The same Day, the Clerk laid before the Council a Memorial from Mr Alexander Hall, Shipbuilder in Aberdeen, addressed to the Council, as Patrons and Managers of St. Clement's School, Footdee, as follows, viz :—Unto the Honorable The Lord Provost and Magistrates of the City of Aberdeen, as Patrons and Managers of Saint Clement's School, Footdee, The Memorial of Alexander Hall, Shipbuilder in Aberdeen, Respectfully Sheweth ; That the late Mr Alexander Marr, Shipbuilder in Aberdeen, and, many years one of the Elders of Saint Clement's Church, did, by his last Will, bequeath the sum of Forty Pounds Sterling, for behoof of the Charitable Funds of the Operative Shipwright Friendly Society

of Aberdeen. That from the manner in which this Bequest was stated by Mr. Marr, in his last Will, the Interest of the said sum of Forty Pounds Sterling, was to be at the Disposal of your Memorialist, and bestowed on those of said Society who seemed to stand most in need. That since the death of the said Mr. Marr, the aforementioned Operative Shipwright Society has (by mutual consent) been dissolved, and the Funds divided among the then existing members, several of whom are since dead. Therefore, that the good intentions of the Donor may be made effectual, in the manner most agreeable to his wishes, the Memorialist proposes that the said sum of Forty Pounds Sterling, which the Memorialist has now received, (less the Legacy duty) from Mr. Marr's Executors, be paid over to the Magistrates and Council, the Patrons and Managers of St. Clement's School, for the behoof of said school

in all time coming, on the following conditions, viz :—That ⁴ poor Boys, Sons of Operative Shipwrights, and between 8 and 12 years of age, shall be taught gratis at St. Clement's School for 2 years.

Four Boys, Sons of operative shipwrights belonging to Aberdeen, and in needful circumstances, not under Eight years of age, nor more than twelve years, be admitted at said School as free Scholars, and remain, as such, for two years, at such Branches of Education, as may be considered proper. That these Boys be admitted by Petition from their Parents, or

Guardians, addressed to the Provost and Magistrates, and be recommended by the Minister of Saint Clement's Parish, and by two respectable shipbuilders at the Port of Aberdeen. That, before making application for admittance, these Boys shall know the Alphabet, and shall be able to read words of

one or two syllables, and their Parents or Guardians or recom- Parents shall supply them with Books, &c.

menders shall supply them with what Books shall be necessary, and shall cause them to be kept in a condition similar to their other school companions. That two Boys be admitted in the beginning of February, Eighteen hundred and thirty Eight, and other two in February Eighteen hundred and

thirty nine, and thereafter, two in the beginning of February Two to be admitted annually. On these conditions, your Memorialist is ready to ly.

pay Thirty six pounds received, and will add thereto four pounds more, that the benevolent intentions of the Donor in be-

stowing the Interest of Forty Pounds annually for the benefit of Shipwright's Families may not be defeated. Which memorial having been read over to, and considered by the Council, they agreed to accept of the Forty Pounds Sterling, therein mentioned, on the terms contained in the memorial, but upon this distinct understanding and condition, that the Provost and Magistrates to be sole Patrons. Magistrates shall be the sole and only parties who are to have the right and Patronage of granting admission to Saint Clement's School to the Boys who may become applicants; Mr. Hall being a joint patron during his lifetime."

Sum mortified	-	-	£40 0 0
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MORTIFICATION BY GEORGE TAYLOR, HOSIER IN ABERDEEN, OF FEU-DUTIES FROM PARTS OF THE LANDS OF FERRYHILL, AND THE FREE RESIDUE OF HIS ESTATE, FOR ERECTING AND ENDOWING AN HOSPITAL FOR AGED AND INDIGENT TRADERS, OR MASTER TRADESMEN.

13th July, 1839, and 5th February, 1841.

" I, George Taylor, Hosier in Aberdeen, heritable proprietor of the subjects after mortified, being desirous to bestow part of what I am possessed of as a fund for Charitable purposes, do, therefore, dispone and mortify to and in favor of James Milne, Esquire, the present Provost of the Burgh of Aberdeen, and Thomas Blaikie, Patrick Simpson, James Forbes, and John Urquhart, Esquires, the present Baillies of the said Burgh, and their Successors in the said Offices of Provost and Baillies of the Burgh of Aberdeen, for the time, as Trustees for the use and behoof of the Poor aftermentioned, perpetually, all and whole the following Lands, being parts and portions of the Second, Third, and Fourth Lots of the Lands of Old Ferryhill, . . . lying within the Parish of Old Machar and County of Aberdeen, That is to say:—FIRST, ALL and WHOLE that piece of Ground, part of the Lands of Ferryhill, measuring one acre

and Twenty-two falls Scots, or thereabout, now enclosed by James Abernethy and Thomas Laurie, Cast-iron Founders at Ferryhill . . . **SECONDLY, ALL** and **WHOLE** that piece of Ground, part of the Second Lot of the Lands of Old Ferryhill, . . . and which piece of Ground measures one Acre, one Rood, and Thirty-two Falls Scots measure . . . **THIRDLY, ALL** and **WHOLE** that part of the Park of the Lands of Ferryhill, called the Gardener's Park . . . which Ground contains two acres, two Rods, and fourteen falls Scots measure, or thereby . . . **FOURTHLY, ALL** and **WHOLE** that piece of Ground, now called Deemount, part of the Lands of Ferryhill, measuring two acres or thereabout, . . . **AND ALSO, ALL** and **WHOLE** those two pieces of Ground, being part of the Lands of Ferryhill, . . . containing in whole two acres Scots measure ; Together with the Teinds of the Lands hereby dispossed, Parsonage and Vicarage, so far only as the Master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, and William Symson and Alexander Symson his son had . . . right to the said teinds, by Decree of Valuation or otherwise, allenarly, and no farther . . . But subject always to the burden of the Feu-rights or infestments of property of the said lands granted to the different feuars and vassals thereof . . . Providing and declaring always, as it is hereby expressly provided and declared, that these Presents are granted by me, and shall be accepted of by the said Provost and Baillies, under the conditions and provisions, and for the uses and purposes after-mentioned, . . . viz. :—The said Mortification is intended by me for the purpose of establishing and endowing an Hospital for Lodging, Clothing, and Maintaining aged and indigent men, who shall have been traders upon their own account or master tradesmen in Aberdeen, of good character, and who are in their old age reduced to poverty, and unable to maintain themselves ; and with this view, I appoint the said Provost and Baillies to accumulate at interest the funds hereby placed under their charge, until the same, with any other monies which may be received for the same purpose, shall be sufficient for purchasing or building a suitable house, with a sufficient airing ground, and thereafter maintaining therein, in all time coming, at least twenty persons of the foresaid description, who shall be lodged, clothed, and to be maintained.

Purpose of the Mortification stated.

Twenty In-
mates at least
to be main-
tained.

Magistrates
shall be Gover-
nors and Pa-
trons of the
Hospital.

Governors
shall have
power to frame
regulations.

supported therein out of the Funds of the said Hospital ; and the said Funds shall also be applicable for the repairing, adding to, or rebuilding the said house, from time to time, as need be, and the funds can afford ; and the said Provost and Baillies for the time shall be the Governors or Managers of the said Hospital, with power to select the inmates of the said Hospital, and to dismiss them when they see cause, and also to appoint and pay the necessary servants, and to make from time to time such laws, rules, and orders, as they see proper for the government and regulation of the said Hospital, and to alter or rescind such laws, rules, and orders, but so as the same shall not be inconsistent with these presents, or the true intent and meaning hereof ; and out of the funds of the said Hospital may be paid the medical attendance, medicines, and funeral expences of the inmates."

Subsequently the said George Taylor secured certain provisions to his wife, by a Post-nuptial Contract of Marriage, and by a holograph Testament, dated 5th February, 1841, appointed as follows ; "That the whole remainder and residue of my means and estate, shall be given over to the Provost and Baillies of Aberdeen, for the time, from which they shall pay the annuities" mentioned in said Deeds, and the remainder shall "be applied for the use of an Hospital for aged and indigent men, which I have endowed by giving over the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Lots of the Lands of Old Ferryhill, which belongs to me."

Note.—This Mortification will be taken charge of by the Magistrates as soon as Mr. Taylor's Executor has made up a Title to the Estate, and made a settlement of the Executry account.

The Magistrates never heard of this Mortification until April last. In consequence of an intimation made to them lately by Mrs. Taylor, the widow of the Mortifier, that she was dissatisfied with the provisions made for her by her late husband, and that she intended to insist for her legal rights as his widow, the Magistrates applied for an Extract of Mr. Taylor's Mortification, and of his other Deeds of Settlement, and having considered the same, and the claim made by his widow, they prepared a Memorial for the opinion of eminent Counsel as to the effect of these, for their guidance and direction. They received in answer a decided opinion that the widow of the Mortifier (there being no Children of the Marriage) is entitled to her legal rights from the Mortifier's Estate, viz. :—the one half of the Free Proceeds of the moveable Estate, and also, during her life, to one third of the Feudities arising from the Lands.

The annual Feudities amount to	- - -	£109 12 0
And the value of the personal property may be stated	- - -	
at about	- - -	2000 0 0

Aberdeen, 8th June, 1849.

MORTIFICATION BY SAMUEL M'KNIGHT OF NEW ORLEANS,
 OF £525 STERLING, TO BUY BOOKS TO POOR
 SCHOLARS OF ABERDEEN.

11th September, 1843.

THE following is an Extract from the Council Register, Vol. lxxvi. folio . . . :—“ Provost Blaikie laid before the Town Council various communications, which he had received from, and through the medium of, Sir Charles Bannerman of Crimmongate, Bart., conveying a Proposal on the part of Mr Samuel M'Knight, a Gentleman originally from Scotland, but who, for many years, has been resident in the United States, to invest, for the following charitable purpose, the sum of £225 in the hands of the Corporation of this City ; the Interest thereon to be allowed to accumulate till Principal and Interest amount to £500, from which time the Council shall lay out half-yearly, or yearly, one half of the Interest or Income in the purchase and distribution of Elementary Books of Instruction for the children of the Poor of the Town of Aberdeen ; the other half of the Interest, or Income, to be also accumulated with the Principal till the total amounts to £1000, from which time, and in all time thereafter, the whole Income shall be given half-yearly, or yearly, for the said Purpose ; the Capital of £1000 remaining entire in the hands, and in the sole charge, of the Town Council for ever, subject to said half-yearly, or yearly, payment of Interest or Income. Which having been considered by the Council, they cordially agree to the wishes of the Benevolent Donor, and authorise the Master of Mortifications to receive the said sum of £225, and to allow the same rate of Interest thereon, which may be payable, for the time, by the 'Treasurer of the City, and that the same

shall be applied, in the proportions, and according to the wishes of the Donor, in all time coming, as before narrated."

Farther Extract from the Council Register, Vol. lxxvi. folio . . . of date 3d January, 1844 :—" Which Day, The Provost said . . . that Mr. M'Knight has again given directions for having transmitted to the Council, by the same channel, the additional sum of Three hundred Pounds, making together the sum of Five hundred and Twenty-five Pounds; and, in order that the Charity may come into immediate operation, has directed that Twenty-five Pounds be presently laid out on books, and distributed, under direction of the Council, to poor children. All which having been considered by the Council, they agreed to accept of said additional sum of Three hundred Pounds, Twenty five Pounds thereof to be laid out when the same is received, and the balance, Two hundred and Seventy five Pounds, to be added to the two hundred and twenty five pounds formerly paid, making a Capital of Five hundred Pounds, and to allow the same rate of interest thereon which may be payable, for the time, by the Treasurer of this City, and that the interest shall be applied according to the wishes of the Donor, in manner directed in said former minute of the Council, of date 11th September last."

Sum mortified	-	-	-	£525	0	0
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The following Statement was laid before the Town Council, some years ago. It has been thought proper to insert it here, a few alterations being made so as to bring it down to the present time.

STATEMENT
RELATIVE TO THE
MORTIFICATIONS FOR ECCLESIASTICAL PURPOSES, AND
FOR BURSARIES,
WHICH ARE UNDER THE CHARGE OF THE
MAGISTRATES AND TOWN COUNCIL
OF THE
BURGH OF ABERDEEN.

THE accounts of the Office Bearers of the Town of Aberdeen have been regularly kept for Centuries. The Accounts of the Treasurer commence in the year 1578, those of the Dean of Guild about the year 1540, and those of the Master of Kirk and Bridge Works in 1571; and, from these dates, there is scarcely a single break in their completeness. Those of the other Office Bearers, the Master of Mortifications, and the Master of Hospital, have been kept with equal regularity, from the date of their institution, and are equally complete. It may be added that the Mortification and other accounts have never been mixed up with the Treasury, but kept under separate and distinct heads.

It is from these documents mainly that the following

Statements have been prepared. The Ecclesiastical Mortifications are as follows :—

1st, Sir THOMAS CROMBIE's, to a Minister of Greyfriars' Kirk.

By Deed of Mortification, dated 5th March, 1644, (printed at page 120 of this Volume) Sir Thomas Crombie of Kemnay, *inter alia*, mortified "for the help and provision of a sufficient Minister to the College Greyfriars Kirk of New Aberdeen the principal Sum of Ten Thousand Merks (£555 11 14-12ths Stg.) to remain in Stock, and the Annual Rent and profit thereof to be yearly given for the Stipend and Provision of the Minister and to that effect allenarly"; and appointed the Provost, Baillies, and Town Council of Aberdeen, for the time, to be Patrons of the said Mortification.

Some years previous, Mr. Patrick Copland, Minister of the Gospel at Norton, in Northamptonshire, mortified (page 73 of this Volume) the Sum of Six Thousand Merks, (£333 6s. 8d. Sterling) "for the help and support" of a Professor of Divinity in the Marischal College of Aberdeen, of which the Magistrates and Council were in like manner appointed Patrons.

At the date of these Mortifications the College or Greyfriars Church was not a Parochial Church, but a separate and distinct property, to which, as well as the site of Marischal College, the Magistrates and Council acquired right after the Reformation; nor did it become a Parish Church until the year 1827, when the entire Parish of St. Nicholas or Aberdeen, was subdivided into Six Parishes, and the Greyfriars Church, with a certain District attached, was set apart for one of those Parishes, under the authority of the Court of Teinds.

The Annual Revenue of these Funds, mortified by Sir Thomas Crombie and Mr. Patrick Copland, having been quite inadequate to the separate maintenance of a Minister and a Professor of Divinity, the two Offices were very early conjoined, and the duties of both performed by one individual. They continued to be thus united until the death of the Rev. Dr. William Laurence Brown (who also held the office of Princi-

pal of the College) in 1830 ; he and his predecessors having been elected by the Council under the Declaration " that their preaching every Lord's day, and on all extraordinary occasions, either in the Greyfriars Church, or in one of the principal Churches of the City, as might be appointed by the Council, should be a fulfilling of the duty incumbent on them as Ministers of Greyfriars Church." Accordingly they took their turn of officiating in one of the two Parish Churches, (generally the West Church) along with the three Parochial Ministers ; and as the Funds mortified for their behoof fell short of the Stipends enjoyed by the Town's other Ministers, the deficiency was made up to them from the Common Good of the City.

About the middle of the last century, the College or Greyfriars Church appears to have fallen into great disrepair, in so much that no Public Worship had been performed in it for a considerable time, part of it having been fitted up for meetings of the Church Session. In order to furnish additional accommodation to the inhabitants, it was repaired by the Magistrates and Council about 1768, at a very considerable expense ; after which they appointed a Preacher to officiate in it, who at first had a small Salary or Stipend of about £40 or £50 per annum, the Council at first, but latterly the Minister or Preacher, having right to the Seat Rents (under the Burden of Precensor's Salary and other incidental expenses), in lieu of Stipend or Salary, without any other Emolument ; and this was the arrangement with Mr. Abercrombie Gordon (who was appointed in 1827), as well as with the three preceding incumbents. After the subdivision of the Parish, and the death of the Rev. Dr. Brown, this arrangement ceased ; and Mr. Gordon having been recognised by the Court of Teinds, with the Consent and approbation of the Magistrates and Town Council, as Minister of Greyfriars Parish, became entitled, instead of a fluctuating and uncertain income from the Seat Rents, to a stated Stipend of £250. The produce of the Seat Rents, therefore, as well as the Revenue of Sir Thomas Crombie's Mortification, now forms part of the general fund for payment of Ministers' Stipends,

and other Ecclesiastical Expenses of the City ; as, by the Decree of Division which was obtained with the consent of *all* parties, the Clergymen agreed to give up all claim to Revenue arising from Teinds, Feudities, and Mortifications.

As already mentioned, the Sum originally Mortified by Sir Thomas Crombie was Ten thousand Merks Scots, or £555 11 1 4-12ths Sterling ; but it appears from the accounts that, previous to the year 1704, the Fund had been somewhat superexpended ; the net Capital at that time having been only £483 4 3 Sterling, and the Annual Sum paid in name of Stipend being £24 3s. 4d.

In 1704, the Moneys belonging to Sir Thomas Crombie's and some other Mortifications for various purposes, under the administration of the Town Council, were invested in the purchase of an undivided half of the Lands and Barony of Torrie; the Titles to which were taken in the name of the Master of Mortifications of Aberdeen, and his Successors in Office, for behoof of the different Funds which contributed to the purchase. The share or proportion of the Revenues of this purchase attached to Sir Thomas Crombie's Mortification was fixed at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. of the Free Rental, and has continued the same down to the present time.

The other half of the Lands of Torrie was the Property of Mr. Menzies of Pitfodels ; and the whole remained undivided till about the year 1785, when a submission was entered into between him and the Master of Mortifications to certain arbiters, for the purpose of effecting a division between the joint proprietors : this division accordingly took place soon after.

Altho' the revenue had gradually increased after the purchase of the Lands of Torrie, it still remained very limited ; and with the view of improving and still farther increasing the Income of the different Stipendiaries concerned, it was deemed expedient, immediately after the division between Mr. Menzies and the Master of Mortifications, to divide the proportion set apart for the latter, into different Lots, and expose the same to Public Sale, by way of Feu, for payment of certain annual Feu-duties, partly in money, and partly in victual, according to the Fiars-prices of the County.

The whole of the Lands were accordingly feu'd out, in or about 1786, and subsequent years, in consequence of which the Revenue was very considerably increased ; and the Income of Sir Thomas Crombie's Mortification now averages about £80 per annum, varying occasionally according to the Fairs of the year.

Previous to the year 1796, the whole of the Lands of Torrie belonging to the Master of Mortifications had been feu'd out, with the exception of one Lot, consisting of a Strip of Ground adjacent to the Village of Torrie, and some barren ground extending therefrom Eastward and Southward along the Sea Coast to the Southside of the Bay of Nigg. In October 1796, a Committee of Council was appointed to consider as to the disposal of this Lot ; and they having reported their opinion that it would be for the interest and advantage of the Funds, to which it belonged, to dispose of the same by public roup, by way of Feu, it was advertised and exposed accordingly, and was purchased at the roup, on account of the Treasurer of Aberdeen, at the yearly Feu-duty of £50 Sterling. The Treasurer afterwards received a Charter of the Ground from the Master of Mortifications, of date the 4th of April 1797, on which he was Infest the 19th of the same month and year.

Until within the last few years, it was generally understood that no person could exercise the right of Salmon Fishing in the Sea, even opposite to his own property, without a special grant from the Crown. As the Treasurer was desirous to have all the rights usually enjoyed by Proprietors of Lands along the Sea Coast, some years after his purchase of the Lot of Torrie beforementioned, he applied for such a grant. The application was keenly opposed by the Proprietors of some adjoining Fishings, but the grant, altho' limited to that part of the Sea Coast, which extends from what is called the Girdleness to the southside of the Bay of Nigg, was ultimately obtained. A Charter from the Crown was accordingly issued in favor of the Treasurer of Aberdeen, upon the first of February 1804, on which he was afterwards duly infest.

After obtaining the grant from the Crown, the Fishing was

at different times advertised to be let, but without effect; and it remained wholly unproductive till the year 1818, when it was let by public roup, upon a Lease of seven years, at the rent of £10 yearly, with an option to the Tenant to hold it for five years more on payment of an additional rent of £10. A great improvement in the mode of Fishing by means of Bag-nets, and other expedients, having been introduced soon after the commencement of this lease, the Tenant of course availed himself of the option, and continued to possess the fishing till 1830, when it was again advertised to be let, for seven years, and yielded the very high rent of £660 per annum; and at the expiry of this lease, it was relet, on a lease for seven years, at £744 of yearly rent. It may farther be mentioned, that the Feuars of all the other lots of the lands of Torrie, which border on the sea, have in like manner established Fishings, opposite their several feus, and, it is understood, with very considerable success.

*2d, MORTIFICATION BY PROVOST JAFFRAY AND OTHERS,
for behoof of a Minister at the Kirk of Futtie.*

There is an Act of Council, dated 22nd June, 1631, which states, "that certane weill affected nichtbers of the towne had granted to a voluntarie contributioun of fyve thousand and four hundred merkis Scottis money or thairabout, whilk wes devysit be thame to be mortifiet and employit on annual rent in all tyme coming for provisioun of ane Minister of the Kirk of Futtie, desyirand thairfor that thair wisdomes wald be pleased to tak the necessitie of that plantation to thair serious consideratioun, and to deliberat in dew tyme, anent the finding out of a qualifiet persone to fill the rowme, sieing the moneyis grantit ar to be peyit at Martimes nixt," &c., &c.

The Council agreed to this request, and accordingly procured "Mr. Alexander Rosse, Minister at Inshe, a townes bairne," to fill the charge.

A List of the Subscribers to this Fund is prefixed to the Volume of the Council Register in which this Minute appears, and may be seen at page 92 of this Volume. They are in

number 54 persons. At the head of the list is Mr. Alexander Jaffray, baillie, who subscribed 250 Merks, in addition to a legacy of 750 Merks, left by his father (see page 90 of this Volume).

It was not till the following year, that a Master of Mortifications was appointed by the Town Council. Before this time, the Treasurer of the Burgh had the charge of all Mortifications; and he kept a regular account of these, distinct from the accounts of Treasury Revenues and Expences.

In 1632, Walter Cochrane was appointed Master of Mortifications; and to him the care of the subscriptions for a Minister at Futtie was assigned. In his account for the year 1632-3, the whole amount of money collected is there stated to be, along with the interest, at the rate of 10 per cent., £4935 7s. 4d. Scots, or £411 5s. 7d. Sterling. On the discharge side of the account, it is said that he paid "Mr. Alexander Rosse, Minister, his Stipend for the year, from Martinmas 1632, to Martinmas 1633, to the amount of £533 6s. 8d. Scots," or £44 8s. 11d. Sterling; and this Stipend, though it exceeded the Revenue, was duly paid him, every year, so long as he continued to be Incumbent.

The accounts are regularly kept for every year downwards; and credit is given for various small donations, as they are paid: —among these, the following additional subscriptions may be mentioned :—

1636	Isobel Couts	-	£133	6	8	Scots.
1640	George Davidson's	-	33	6	8	„
1644	Patrick Chalmers	-	66	13	4	„

These sums were added to the capital, and interest paid for them at the rate observed at the time. In 1644, for the first time in the accounts, credit is given for £44 Scots, being "the dutie of the riggis of Futtie." These pieces of ground, afterwards called the Glebe of Footdee, consisted altogether of 6 rigs of land gifted to a Minister at Footdee by 3 different parties, in the year 1633. The deeds of gift are printed at pages 98, 100, and 103, of this Volume.

In 1704, this Mortification acquired right to a share in the half of the lands and Barony of Torrie, along with the Mortifi-

cations, bequeathed by Dr. Liddel, James Cargill, Patrick Copland, Sir Thomas Crombie, and Dr. William Guild ; the proportions of revenue belonging to each Mortification being stated to be as under :—

Doctor Liddel's	-	-	5-20ths and 4-10ths of 1-20th.
James Cargill's	-	-	2-20ths.
Provost Jaffray's	-	-	2-20ths and 6-10ths do.
Patrick Copland's	-	-	2-20ths and 4-10ths do.
Sir Thomas Crombie's	-	-	3-20ths and 3-10ths do.
Dr. William Guild's	-	-	4-20ths and 3-10ths do.

In all - - 20-20ths.

The explanations which have been given in the remarks on Sir Thomas Crombie's Mortification, relative to the disposal of the lands of Torrie, apply also to this.

The rent payable yearly from the Glebe at Footdee can be traced down to 1776. In 1777, it disappears from the accounts, having been handed over to the Incumbent who drew the rent for a considerable number of years. Part of it was feu'd in 1825 to John Duffus and Co., at a Feu-duty of £59 4s. and part of it disposed of to the Harbour Trustees ; and this feu-duty, with the interest of the price obtained from the Harbour Trustees, forms part of the Revenue, with which this Mortification is credited in the Town's accounts.

It is only necessary to add, that the yearly revenue of this Mortification was, in 1632, (at 10 per cent.) less than £40, and in this present year it is £145 10s 8d.

3d, GEORGE DAVIDSON'S MORTIFICATION, for a Minister of Aberdeen.

By deed of Mortification, dated the 12th day of May, 1662, (page 141 of this Volume), George Davidson, Burgess of Aberdeen, mortified, " To Johne Smith, present Thesaurar of the said Burgh of Abirdene, and his Successores in the said Office, Thesaurars of the said Brugh, in all tyme heirafter, for the pious uses following ; To witt, for payment of ane Ministers Stipend, to serve within the said Brugh of Abirdeine, in all thinges requisite to the Ministeriall calling, to be payit out of

the rents and dueties of the lands underwreitine, according as the Provost Baylies and Councill of the said Brugh sall aggrie with a Minister for that effect, and for the use of the Gild Box of the said Brugh of Aberdiene, in sua farr as the rents and dueties of the saidis landis may be extendit, attour the payment of the said Ministers Stipend, and if there be any super plus therof, the Minister alwayes being first payit, all and haill the towne and lands of Pettanes," &c. &c., and also "the towne and lands of Bogfairlie," &c. &c.

By a Codicil to his last Will, dated in November of the following year, (page 144 of this Volume), he appointed the Rental of these lands for Crop 1663, and the sum of 1000 Merks, due him by Bond, to be Stocked, and the interest thence obtained, "to be a helpe to the Ministers Stipend yeerlie to serve the towne of Abirdeine, conforme to my Mortificatione of the lands of Pettanes, and Bogfairlie."

Next year, the Treasurer charges himself with the revenue of this Mortification, amounting to £964 Scots, or £80 6s. 8d. Sterling.

The above sum of one thousand Merks, and the profits of the lands for crop 1663, were afterwards laid out, partly in the purchase of property, and partly at interest. The rental of the lands, property, and sum lent out, in 1690, was £90 Stg.

In the 18th Century, the Council ordered part of these lands to be sold; and, shortly after, they "agreed to feu out the lands of Bogfairly, Dykside, Cloghill, and Borrowstone, by public roup." The proceeds of this sale, amounting, with the sums above mentioned, to £2500 Sterling, were lodged in the Treasurer's hands, who allowed interest thereon yearly thereafter, and it is now paid at the present time.

In 1796, the Ministers of the city raised an action, relative to this Mortification, before the Court of Session; when it was found that the Magistrates and Council were bound to provide a stipend only to *one* Minister out of this Mortification, according as they should agree with him.—A particular statement of all the above transactions will be found in the accounts for the year 1796-7.

At this present time this Mortification yields a free revenue of £158 17s 3d. Stg. which is composed, partly of the interest of the above sum of £2500 Stg., and partly of the feu-duties of Bogfairly.

The Council derive £10 Stg. yearly, from what are called the St. Nicholas' Metts, which sum is paid by the Harbour Trustees. These consist of some small dues levied on certain descriptions of Goods coming into the Harbour, and were first instituted by Act of Council, dated 16th October, 1449, and printed at page 1 of this Volume. In the year 1777, the Council, taking into consideration the difficulty of levying these duties, ordered them to be sold to the Master of Shoreworks, for £200 ; and he pays, at this date, £10 yearly for them to the Kirk charge.

There is another Mortification, mentioned in the Mortification accounts. In 1644, George Robertson, Notary Public, mortified a tenement in the Broadgate of Aberdeen, for behoof of a Minister in the Greyfriars Kirk, as appears from minute of Council, printed at page 126 of this Volume. The revenue at that date was £73 6s 8d. Scots, or £6 2s 2½d. Stg. yearly, which was regularly paid to the Minister, as part of his salary. This house having afterwards become ruinous was sold for £33 6s 8d. Sterling ; the interest upon which, amounting to £1 13s. 4d. was paid yearly to the Incumbent, down to the close of the 18th century, when this Mortification appears to have been incorporated with that made by Sir Thomas Crombie for the same purpose.

There is still another property, called the *Back Butts*, which was gifted to the town for Ecclesiastical purposes. By disposition, dated 10th and 11th May, 1692, the Principal and Professors of Marischal College conveyed over to the Council, the Greyfriars Church, and this property “for mantinance *pro tanto* alwayes,” not of a Minister, but of the fabric of the Church. As the Greyfriars was not at that time a Parish

Church, and consequently could not form part of the regular kirk charge, the management of that Church, and its property, fell into the hands of the Treasurer. Accordingly he, in 1710, feued the Back Butts, called in the disposition of 1692 "that piece of marsh untilled ground," (in which state it continued for many years afterwards) at a feu-duty of 10s. Scots, per annum. Any revenue, however, that the town may have derived from this, or any other property belonging to the church, was wholly inadequate to its maintenance. It has been already stated that it was thoroughly repaired by the Magistrates and Council, in 1768 ; this repair cost upwards of £700.

In addition to the above Mortifications, various small sums, were at different times bequeathed to the Town Council, for behoof of the kirk-work. These were added to the Capital on hand at the time, and were expended on repairs, as occasion required. But all the funds belonging to the Kirk Work were more than exhausted in the years 1755 and 6, in rebuilding the present West Church, which cost upwards of £4500 Stg.

With reference to the Bursaries at Marischal College, under the charge of the Magistrates and Council, it is thought that the following Vidimus will be sufficient to shew that they have been well and carefully managed :—

Date.	Name of Donor.	Original Sum.	Present Amount.
1616	James Cargill's	£222 4 5	£247 8 0 0
1616	John Johnstone's	55 11 1	370 0 0
1633	Alexr. Reid's	110 0 0	355 0 0
1644	Sir Thos. Crombie's	555 11 1	2645 12 6
1655	Alexr. Ross's	200 0 0	380 0 0
1677	Robert Cumine's	50 0 0	175 0 0
1677	James Milne's	138 17 9	290 0 0
1695	John Fraser's	55 11 1	195 0 0
1694 & 1722	Willm. Lorimer's	120 0 0	155 0 0
1737	Charles Gordon's	200 0 0	205 0 0
1770	Alexr. Cruden's	100 0 0	115 0 0

It should be kept in view, at the same time, that the va-

rious yearly payments have been regularly made ; so that the present increase on the original capital is entirely the result of the careful system of management.

A similar Vidimus of the Mortifications, left for the Professors of Marischal College, will add somewhat to the completeness of this Statement :—

Date.	Donor's Name.	Original Sum.	Present Amount.
1613	Dr. Liddel's, to Professors, and Poor.	£361 2 2	£3935 0 0
1627	Patk. Copland's	333 6 8	1884 3 4
1621	Dav. Chamberlaine's	55 11 1	
1625	Thomas Reid's	333 6 8	355 0 0
1644	Sir Thomas Crombie's	555 11 1	1755 12 6

In this case also the stated payments originally appointed have been punctually discharged from year to year.

**List of Mortifications which are kept under separate heads in the
Town's Accounts.**

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
8, 22, 40	1529		
	1596	Bishop Gavin Dunbar, to Bridge of Dee, ...	£250 0 0
	1610		
28	1605	Sir Alexander Hay, to Bridge of Don, <i>yearly</i> , 2 5 8	
41	1612	Dr. Duncan Liddel, to Bursars, <i>yearly</i> , about 41 13 4	
65, 116	1613	Do. do. to Professor of Mathematics, Library, and Poor, ... 361 2 2	
47	1616	Dr. James Cargill, to Bursars, ... 222 4 5	
49	"	John Johnstone, to a Divinity Bursar, ... 55 11 1	
	1616	Rev. Patrick Copland, to a Professor of Divinity, ... £333 6 8	
73	1622		
	1627		
57	1621	David Chalmerlaine, to do. do. 55 11 1	388 17 9
70	1625	Thomas Reid, to a Librarian of Marischal College, ... 333 6 8	
83	1631	Dr. Patrick Dun, to 4 Masters in the Grammar School, <i>yearly</i> , ... 33 6 8	
47	1616	Dr. James Cargill, to Grammar School, ... £27 15 6	
62	1622	Town Council, of accumulated profits on Dr. Cargill's Mortification, 8 6 8	
76	1628	"A Neighbour of the Burgh," to a Teacher in Grammar School, 27 15 6	63 17 8
90	1632	Provost Jaffray, to a Minister at Footdee, ... £55 11 1	
87, 92, 93, 98, 100, 103	1631	Donations obtained from other parties, as at pp. 92, 93, besides the Glebe, which rented £3 13s. 4d. per annum, ... 355 13 11	
75, 92	1636	William Duncan, ... 8 6 8	
109	"	Issobell Coutts, ... 11 2 2	
113	1640	George Davidson, ... 2 15 6½	
249	1644	Patrick Chalmers, ... 5 11 1	
101	1633	Marion Douglas, Lady of Drum, to Poor Widows and Virgins, £166 13 4	439 0 5½
170	1721	Mrs. Agnes Divvie, to a Burgess of Guild's Widow or Daughter, 55 11 1	
207	1765	Mrs. Jean Cattanach, to Drum's Hospital, ... 200 0 0	
216	1774	Miss Bell Cattanach, to do. 100 0 0	
			522 4 5

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
103	1632	Dr. Alexander Reid, to Bursars,	110 0 0
	1633	}	
106	1634	Jean Guild or Anderson, to Poor Widows and Orphans,	27 15 6
114	1640	Robert Johnston of Stain, to Poor of Aberdeen, ...	£600 0 0
144	1663	George Davidson, to Poor of Foot- dee, ...	27 15 6
172	1723	Rev. William Lorimer, to Poor,	20 0 0
			647 15 6
117	1642	Lady Rothiemay, to a Schoolmistress, ...	83 6 8
120	1644	Sir Thomas Crombie, to Bursars, ...	555 11 2
"	"	Do. do. to Principal and Professors of Marischal College, ...	555 11 2
"	"	Do. do. to Minister of Greyfriars, ...	555 11 2
126	"	George Robertson, to do. yearly, ...	6 2 2
123	"	Do. do. to a Bursar at Grammar School, ...	55 11 1
128	1649	Jean Guild or Anderson, to Orphans, ...	261 2 2
		and yearly, 20 18 10	}
131	1655	Dr. Alexander Ross, to Bursars, ...	200 0 0
133	1657	Dr. William Guild, to Orphans, ...	388 17 9
135	1659	Catharine Rolland or Guild, to Bursars, Widows, and Poor, yearly, ...	64 2 7
		and a sum of 94 8 10	}
141, 144	1662	George Davidson, for a Minister's Stipend, ...	55 11 1
	1663	}	
143	1662	Margaret Mowat, for Ardo's Tomb, £5 11 1	
144	1663	George Davidson, for Churchyard Dykes of Footdee, Bridge of Bux- burn, and his own Tomb,	5 11 1
			11 2 2
148	1677	James Milne, to Burgesses' Widows and Daughters, 83 6 8	
149	"	Do. do. to Bursars, ...	138 17 9
151	"	Robert Cuming, to a Bursar, ...	50 0 0
153	1682	John Clerk, to Bridge of Govell, ...	6 4 5
154	1685	Elspet Donaldson or Milne, to Widows & Orphans, 155 11 1	
155	1688	John Turner, to decayed Burgesses, and Guild Brethren's Hospital, yearly, ...	22 4 4
157	1695	John Fraser, to a Bursar, ...	55 11 1
159	1700	Alexander Galloway, to Poor Widows, ...	18 17 9
163	1707	George Gray, to decayed Burgesses, their Wi- dows or Children, ...	27 15 6
165	1715	Robert Cruickshank of Banchory, to decayed Burgesses, their Widows, &c. ...	55 11 1
166	1717	William Bettie, to the Bridge of Bervie, ...	16 13 4
167	"	Bailie Robert Cuming, to Widows of Decayed Burgesses, ...	55 11 1
169	1719	Andrew Ritchie of Forresterhill, to Widows and Orphans, &c. ...	83 6 8
172	1722	Rev. William Lorimer, to a Bursar, ...	120 0 0
180	1733	Alexander Williamson, to buy Books to poor Boys in Grammar School, ...	5 11 1
"	1734	Mrs. Helen Duff of Braco, to a young Gentle- woman, ...	111 2 2
182	1735	John Gall, to families of decayed Burgesses, and of poor Householders, yearly, ...	18 0 0
		and a sum of 27 15 6	}

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
186	1736	Barbara Forest or Mackie, to a Gentlewoman,	45 0 0
188	1737	John Kemp, for a School, ...	1077 3 0
191	"	Rev. Charles Gordon, to a Bursar, ...	200 0 0
193	"	Thomas Strachan, to Poor Families and House- holders, ...	55 11 1
194	1740	John Rickart of Auchnacant, for "Rickart's Tomb," ...	12 0 0
198	1746	George Cruickshank, to a Burgess' Son at Gram- mar School, &c. ...	200 0 0
201	1754	Lady Fraser of Durris, to Kirk- Session of Durris, ...	£100 0 0
"	"	Do. do. of Strachan, 50 0 0	
"	"	Do. do. to Infirmary, 400 0 0	
"	"	Do. do. to St. Paul's Chapel, 100 0 0	
"	"	Do. do. to decayed Gen- tlewomen, 500 0 0	
"	"	Do. do. to Poor House- holders, 50 0 0	
			1200 0 0
204	"	Christian Gordon or Howieson, to indigent Gen- tlewomen, ...	500 0 0
208	1766	Rev. Andrew Gerard, to a School, ...	190 7 10
209	1767	Barbara Menzies, to unmarried Gentlewomen,	111 2 2
210	1770	Alexander Cruden, to a Bursar, ...	100 0 0
213	1771	Alexander Thomson of Banchory, to decayed Burgesses, their Widows & Children, &c., <i>yearly</i> ,	20 0 0
214	1772	George Ogilvie, for a Foundling Hospital,	50 0 0
215	1773	Walter Cochrane, to unmarried Women, ...	55 11 1
216	1777	Mrs. Wild, to Burgesses' Unmarried Daughters,	50 0 0
217	1790	John Nicoll, and Helen Wilson, his Spouse, to decayed Burgesses, ...	100 0 0
219	"	Helen Cruickshank, to Poor, ...	50 0 0
227	1807	John Mather, for a School at Newburgh, Bur- saries, &c. &c., ...	4000 0 0
229	1820	Mrs. Elizabeth Durno or Cruickshank, to Or- phans, ...	50 0 0
230	1824	John Burnett of Dens, for Inoculation of the Poor,	880 0 0
"	"	Do. do. for Pauper Lunatics,	1670 0 0
"	"	Do. do. for a Chaplain to the Prison, ...	690 0 0
232	1828	Mrs. Catherine Milne or Bow, for Pauper Lun- atics, ...	120 0 0
233	1831	Dr. Andrew Bell, for Madras Schools, ...	6243 8 4
236	1835	Janet Fordyce, to Poor of Aberdeen, ...	27 0 0
"	1837	Alexander Marr, to Poor Scholars, ...	40 0 0
241	1842	Samuel M'Knight, for Books to Poor Scholars,	525 0 0
		MORTIFICATION NOT YET ENTERED.	
238	{ 1839 & } 1841	George Taylor, to an Hospital for Aged and In- digent Traders, and Master Tradesmen, <i>yearly</i> , and a sum of about	109 12 0
			1000 0 0

List of Mortifications to the Guild Brethren's Hospital.

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
3, 6	1459	John Clat, Canon of Aberdeen, <i>yearly</i> , ...	£0 11 8
12	1572	Council and Community, of the Greyfriars, <i>renting, yearly</i> ,	3 6 8
14	1575	Council and Community of Chaplain's Feu-duties, <i>yearly</i> ,	0 10 7
16	1577	Alexander Anderson,	0 16 8
"	"	Patrick Menzies of Ferryhill,	0 16 8
"	"	Merchants of "The Andrew,"	0 16 8
17	"	William Gardyn,	0 0 10
"	"	Christian Straquhyn or Sowlis,	0 3 4
"	"	Elspet Wandy or Anderson,	0 7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$
"	"	Thomas Cargill,	0 5 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	"	Session Fines,	4 19 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
21	1593	Baillie George Middleton,	1 13 4
24	1597	Baillie Alexander Jaffray,	5 11 1
27	1601	Walter Wishart,	20 16 8
36	1606	Thomas Johnstoun,	1 13 4
"	"	William Mar, Elder,	1 13 4
"	1608	William Loremer,	5 11 1
38	"	John Bissat,	2 15 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	"	John Donaldsone,	1 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	"	Alexander Kempt,	1 13 4
"	"	David Rutherford,	11 2 2
39	"	Robert Gray,	2 15 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
40	1611	David Ferguson,	1 13 4
41	"	George Moresoun,	0 11 1
65	1612	Thomas Marr,	27 15 6
47	1616	Dr. James Cargill,	27 15 6
49	"	George Moresone,	3 6 8
51	1617	James Smith,	1 13 4
"	"	Alexander Cruickshank, Younger,	8 16 8
"	1618	Robert Ramsay,	2 15 6
53	"	Thomas Johnstoun, Dean of Guild,	5 11 1
"	"	Robert Burnet,	2 15 6
54	"	William Bannerman—100 Polish Florins.	
"	1619	Alexander Kempt,	1 13 4
"	"	Peter Blackburne,	8 6 8
56	1621	Alexander Ramsay,	5 11 1
"	"	Isobell Alschenour or Toysche,	11 2 2
58	"	Thomas Forbes of Rubislaw,	8 6 8
"	1622	David Cargill,	5 11 1
60	"	George Currow of Fingask,	16 13 4
61	"	John Stewart,	8 6 8
"	"	Charles Dun,	5 11 1
62	1623	Baillie William Lowson,	8 6 8
69	"	Patrick Gray,	5 11 1

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
72	1626	Provost George Nicholsone,	£8 6 8
76	1628	Alexander Anderson, Elder, of three pieces of Wainscot.	
77	,"	Charles Robertson,	2 4 5
78	1629	Hercules Dun,	3 17 1
79	,"	John Galloway—100 ... Scots.	
80	1630	Sir Alexander Irving of Drum,	22 4 5
82	,"	David Anderson of Finach,	16 13 4
87	1631	William Gray, Elder,	55 11 1
88, 104,	1633	“A Neighbour Guild Burgess of the Town,” or Andrew Burnet, Senior,	8 6 8
95	1632	Thomas Meldrum of Auchineive,	27 15 6
106	1633	William Bannerman,	33 6 8
108	1634	Gilbert Gordon,	11 2 2
109	1635	James Troope,	38 17 9
111	1636	Patrick Mengzies,	11 2 2
112	1638	Walter Robertsone, Dean of Guild,	5 11 1
113	1639	Robert Alexander,	1 7 9
115	1640	George Davidson, Senior,	2 15 6
121	1641	David Cruickshank,	19 8 10
123	1644	Sir Thomas Crombie,	83 6 8
125	,"	George Robertson,	5 11 1
130	1654	John Seton of Auquhorties,	11 2 2
131	1655	James Davidson,	11 2 2
132	1657	Dr. Alexander Ross,	50 0 0
133	,"	Alexander Anderson, Senior,	16 13 4
134	1658	William Burnet,	33 6 8
153	1679	Provost Moresone of Kirkhill,	5 11 1
163	1707	James Lorimer,	16 13 4
165	,"	Alexander Pyper, Dean of Guild,	27 15 6
169	1718	William Hay of Balbithan,	5 11 1
206	1765	Provost Thomas Mitchell,	55 11 1
217	1785	William Gerard of Stonehouse,	400 0 0
		Mrs. Ann White,	20 0 0

Mortifications to the Guild Box.

25	1600	Guild Burgesses—of Dues.	
76	1628	Robert Skene,	£5 11 1
80	1629	Robert Smith,	5 11 1
88, 104	1631	“A Neighbour Guild Burgess of the Town,” or	
	1633	Andrew Burnet, Senior,	8 6 8
89	1632	Robert Ferguson,	4 3 4
111	1638	Robert Smith,	5 11 1
111	,"	Walter Robertsone, Dean of Guild,	2 15 6
112	1640	William Gray, Senior,	27 15 6
113	,"	George Davidson, Senior,	5 11 1
119	1643	William Gray, Senior,	55 11 1
,"	,"	Robert Skene,	55 11 1
122	1644	Alexander Murray, Elder,	27 15 6
127	1646	William Forbes, Senior,	55 11 1
,"	1647	George Cochrane,	22 10 0
130	1654	James Davidson,	16 13 4
145	1664	Baillie Robert Cruickshank,	138 17 9
147	1674	Christian Peirie,	14 8 10

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
152	1678	Isobell Donaldson or Duncan,	£27 15 6
156	1692	Provost George Leslie,	55 11 1
159	1701	Isobel Collie or Bartlet,	33 6 8
160	1704	Thomas Burnett,	166 13 4
161	1707	Thomas Leslie,	133 6 8
163	"	Alexander Pyper, Dean of Guild,	66 13 4
164	1709	John Davidson,	55 11 1
170	1720	James Byres,	55 11 1
199	1749	Alexander Ritchie, of his House and the Residue of his Property.	
218	1790	Baillie John Abercrombie,	200 0 0

IN 1736, the DEAN OF GUILD COURT resolved, by Acts dated 19th February, and 18th November, of that year, to establish an additional fund to the Guild Box; and the Council, going along with the Dean of Guild Court, gave their approbation to the Scheme, by their Act dated the 2d day of December following. In these Acts it was stipulated that every Burgess already admitted should pay one shilling quarterly to the fund; that every entering Burgess should pay, at his entrance, two Guineas, except *jure* Burgesses who should pay only one Guinea; and that the benefit of the fund should be extended only to "Contributors and their widows and daughters, who have behaved well and are past forty years of age." A subscription was immediately commenced in order to form a stock; and the list of subscribers is here given, as copied from the Guildry accounts, for 1736-7, the money alone being altered from Scots to sterling.

[Excerpt.]

CHARGE OF THE ADDITIONAL FUND, contributed by the BRETHREN OF GUILD of this Burgh, for supporting the Poor Decayed Bretheren of Gild, within this Burgh, and their Widows and Daughters, in terms of the Acts of Gild Court and Council.

Money received from the Bretheren of Gild affernamed, as the Contribution to this Fund.

Imprimis, from John Robertson of Pitmillan, present Provost, £1	1	0
Item from William Smith, one of the present Baillies,	1	1
... George Forbes, one of the present Baillies,	1	1
... Thomas Paul, present Dean of Gild,	1	1
... James Nicol, present Thesaurar,	1	1
... William Cruickshank, late Provost,	1	1
... James Morrison, late Provost,	1	1
... Thomas Strachan, late Baillie,	1	1
... John Moir, late Baillie,	1	1
... William Chalmers, late Baillie,	1	1
... John Strachan, late Baillie,	1	1
... Alexander Robertson, late Baillie,	1	1
... David Marr, Merchant,	1	1
... James Dyce, Senior, Merchant,	1	1
... William Murdoch, Merchant,	1	1
... Patrick Ross, Merchant,	1	1
... Robert Catanach, Merchant,	1	1
... John Davidson, Merchant,	1	1
... James Thomson of Portlethen,	1	1
... Robert Thomson, Town Clerk,	1	1

Item from	Thomas Fraser, Merchant,	-	-	-	£1	1	0
...	Walter Cochran, Town Clerk Depute,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Rickart of Auchnaeant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Elphinston, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Leyes, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Ross, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Meston, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Gray, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Johnston, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Brebner, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Gellie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Thomas Farquharson, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Marr, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Marr, Merchant, his Son,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr. William Fordyce, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Smith, Senior, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Simson, Junior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Mollyson, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Mackie, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Leslie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Shepherd, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Mowat, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Thomas Mercer, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Thomas Nivie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr James Ogilvie, Minister,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Skene of Robislaw,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Cooper, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Massie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Bannerman, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Maitland, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Mouat, Junior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Thomson, Advocate,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Andrew Thomson, in Portlethen,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Gordon, Aberzeldy, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Fraser, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Charles Copland, Senior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Forbes, Lochermick, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Strachan, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Gordon of Banchory,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Black, Junior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	David Panton, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Daniel Hamilton, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Sinclair, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Gordon, (Gartley), Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Milne, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Moir, Elder, of Stonywood,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Mollyson, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Thom, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Strachan, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Robert Ragg, Shipmaster,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Crombie, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Kennedy, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Mollyson of Glasgowego, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Garioch, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Thomas Irvine, Shipmaster,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Legg, Maltster,	-	-	-	1	1	0

Item from	Doctor James Gordon of Hiltoun,	-	-	-	£1	1	0
...	James Catanach, Advocate,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Robert Moor, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Doctor James Gregorie of Blairtoun,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Andrew Garioch, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Cruden, Junior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Chalmers, Junior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Thomas Finnie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr James Taylor, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Chalmers, Printer,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Mouat, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Mouat, his Son,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	George Walker, Advocate,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Simson, Senior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Patrick Cushney, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Morison, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Copland, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Walter Temple, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr. James Chalmers, Professor of Divinity,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr. John Bisset, one of the Ministers,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Mackenzie, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Strachan, Maltman,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Patrick Souper, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Gordon, Lesmoir, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	William Young, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Andrew Dyce, Shipmaster,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Strachan, Senior, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Thomson, Son to Portlethen,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	James Lesly, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Burnet of Elrick,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Robert Steven, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	John Cumming, late Dean of Gild,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alexander Thomson, Senior, Shipmaster,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Kenneth Irvine, Shipmaster,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Alex. Mitchell, Merchant,	-	-	-	1	1	0
...	Mr. John Osborn, Principal of the Marshal College,	1	1	0			
...	Hugh Hay of Park, late Provest,	-	-	-	1	1	0
£118 13 0							

Mortifications to Poor, Session, and Poor's House.

Page.	Date.					Amount bequeathed.
47	1616	Dr. James Cargill,	...	...	...	£16 13 4
55	1620	Town-Council, of Kirk-Session Monies,	...	...	...	8 6 8
56	1621	Isobell Alschenour or Toysche,	...	...	...	19 8 10
58	,"	Thomas Forbes of Rubislaw,	...	...	...	16 13 4
,"	1622	David Cargill,	...	...	...	5 11 1
59	,"	Margaret Rolland or Seton,	...	...	...	11 2 2
62	1623	Baillie William Lawson,	...	...	...	8 6 8
64	1623	George Nicolsone,	...	...	...	33 6 8
75	1628	William Duncan, Elder,	...	...	...	8 6 8
79	1629	Mrs. Barbara Ferguson or Moresone,	27 15 6
82	1631	William Gray, Elder,	55 11 1
89	,"	Dr. William Johnstone,	55 11 1

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105	1634	Patrick Forbes,	£5 11 1
108	1636	Issobell Couts—to Poor Friends,	16 13 4
113	1640	George Davidson, Senior,	5 11 1
123	1644	George Robertson,	2 15 6
131	1656	James Aberdour,	8 6 8
132	1657	Alexander Anderson, Senior,	8 6 8
134	1658	Provost Moresone of Kirkhill,	27 15 6
147	1674	Alexander Blair,	8 6 8
148	1675	Baillie John Duncan,	27 15 6
160	1704	Thomas Burnett,	27 15 6
163	1707	Alexander Pyper, to Session Poor,	27 15 6
169	1718	Provost Thomas Mitchell,	27 15 6
182	1735	John Gall,	16 13 4
197	1741	Town-Council, to Workhouse,	20 0 0
206	1765	William Gerard of Stonehouse, to Poor's House,	50 0 0
210	1770	Alexander Cruden,	10 0 0
217	1790	John Nicoll, and Spouse, to Session Poor, ...	100 0 0
"	"	Do. to Poor's House, ...	100 0 0

Mortifications to the Kirk Work Charge.

1	1449	Head Court,—of St. Nicholas Metts.	
10	1572	Council and Community of the Chaplain's Feudities, bringing <i>yearly</i> ,	£5 0 0
17	1584	Alexander Cullen, <i>yearly</i> ,	0 11 8
35	1605	Town-Council, of Feu-duties of St. Peter's Altar, bringing <i>yearly</i> ,	0 10 0
70	1625	David Chalmer,	4 3 4
71	1626	William Forbes, Younger, of a Green Table Cloth to the Parish Church.	
78	1629	Paull Inglis, of two Silver Cups to St. Nicholas Church.	
80	1630	Sir Alexander Irving of Drum, for Drum's Aisle,	33 6 8
81	"	Gilbert Fraser, of a Brazen Hearse to Greyfriars Church.	
106	1634	Baillie Thomas Gray, of a Hearse to the New Church.	
110	1637	William Gray, Senior,	27 15 6
113, 115	{ 1640 1641 }	George Davidson, Senior,	5 11 1
117	1642	Town Council, of their Bon-Accord Silver Cup to the Church of Aberdeen.	
123	1644	George Robertson,	16 13 4
134	1658	John Schand,	27 15 6
141	1690	James Rolland, <i>yearly</i> ,	1 7 3
146	1667	William Toux, of a Silver Cup to St. Nicholas Church.	

Mortifications to Marischal College, which are not managed by the Council.

70	1625	David Chalmer,	£4 3 4
103	1632	Dr. Alexander Reid, of his Books.	
96	1633	Dr. William Guild, of a House for an Entrance.	
114	1641	Barbara Forbes or Johnston, of her Husband's Books, and Mathematical Instruments.	

Page.	Date.		Amount bequeathed.
125	1644	Dr. Patrick Dune, for the reparation of—about	£111 2 2
155	1688	John Turner, to four Bursars, (the Council having the patronage of two,) <i>yearly</i> ,	22 4 5
172	1722	Rev. William Lorimer, of his Books.	
175	1727	Rev. Gilbert Ramsay, to a Professor of Hebrew, and Bursars,	4200 0 0
198	1741	Rev. Alexander Smith, to a Bursar, ..	100 0 0
200	1750	Gilbert Burnett, Bishop of Salisbury, to Bursars, 1111	2 2
219	1790	Sir William Fordyce, to a Lecturer on Agriculture, 1000	0 0
"	"	of part of his Books.	
223	1801	David Mitchell of Holloway Down, to Bursars,	2000 0 0

Mortifications to Trades' Hospital.

93	1632	Town Council,	£55 11 1
121	1644	Sir Thomas Crombie,	27 15 6
123	"	George Robertson,	5 11 1
156	1688	John Turner, <i>yearly</i> ,	8 6 8
217	1790	John Nicoll, and Spouse,	100 0 0

Mortifications to Insane People, or a Bedlam.

168	1718	Town Council,	£72 10 0
174	1725	John Greig,	27 15 6
179	1733	Thomas Finnie,	55 11 1
185	1735	John Strachan,	16 13 4
186	1736	Robert Gellie,	27 15 6
221	1798	Baillie Daniel Cargill,	1068 0 0

Mortifications to Infirmary.

189	1737	James Irving,	£50 0 0
190	"	Baillie Walter Brand,	20 0 0
194	1740	John Rickart of Auchnacant, of the Residue of his Estate.	
206	1765	William Gerard of Stonehouse,	50 0 0

Mortifications for Miscellaneous Purposes.

23	1596	Town Council, of Guildry Funds to the Burgh,	£76 0 1½
60	1622	Thomas Pendelburrie, of a Silver Cup to the Burgh.	
63	"	David Watson, to Pious Uses,	11 2 2
72	"	Robert Ferguson, of a Bell to the Grammar School.	
123	1644	George Robertson, of his Books to the Masters of the Grammar School.	
146	1666	Town Council, to the Workmen's Box, ..	1 13 4
160	1704	Thomas Burnett, to Seaman's Box, ..	11 2 2
175	1727	Rev. Gilbert Ramsay, to a Schoolmaster and Poor of Birse, £500 each,	1000 0 0
194	1740	John Rickart of Auchnacant, to St. Paul's Chapel,	500 0 0
210	1770	Alexander Cruden, to purchase Bibles and Books, his 1.26th Share of "the Concordance," and	20 0 0
225	1803	John Davidson, for a School at Footdee, ..	1000 0 0

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